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Dear Thomas,

On the outset let me wish you a very happy new year and express the hope that both personally and professionally 1979 will be a year of achievements for you.

You will, of course recall my writing to you some time ago, about the establishment of an African Regional Aquaculture Centre in Port Harcourt, Nigeria. Even though there were some unexpected delays, the project has been now approved. It may take some time before the permanent buildings for the Centre are constructed, but we plan to commence work as soon as possible, using temporary accommodation available in Port Harcourt and in the island of Buguma nearby.

From the project document you will have noted that the Centre would undertake research on aquaculture systems of regional importance, carry out post-graduate level one-year training of senior aquaculturists in English and French, and establish an information system. I know that you have major responsibilities in your present post which may preclude consideration of any assignments outside. However, before considering any other candidates I would like to ascertain whether you would wish to be considered for the post of Training Officer/Instructor in charge of English medium training in the Centre.

As we have to select candidates for the post shortly, I should appreciate receiving a cabled reply. You will, of course, understand that this is only an enquiry and not an offer of appointment.

With best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

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