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NEWS FOR TRAVELERS

If you plan to take with you on your trip out of Panama personal cameras or other scientific equipment, you should make a list or inventory of what you are taking out (including description of equipment, etc.) in duplicate, and take it to the ground floor of Tocumen Airport (Oficina de Aduana) where they will stamp your inventory, and keep a copy. You should show this copy to the Aduana officials when you return to the country and when you are passing through customs.

SEMINARS

The noon seminar on Tuesday, November 13th will be given by Dr. Ross Robertson, STRI who will speak on:

"Food parasitism among algae-eating reef fishes in the Caribbean" This seminar will be in the Ancon Conference Room.

There will also be a seminar on Thursday, November 15th at 7:30 p.m. in the Ancon Conference Room. This seminar will be given by Luis A. Rivera, who graduated from the University of Panama, Department of Biology. The subject of this seminar will be:

> "Frecuencia de los antigenos HLA (Human Lymphocite Antegens) en los indios Kunas"

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

- November 11- Arriving Flor Torres and Rollin Baker to coordinate arrangements for OTS meetings with Dr. N. Smith.
- November 12- Arriving Mr. Joseph Libby, from the Office of Facilities Services, SI. He will be consulting with Drs. Robertson and Lessios on diving safety.
- November 13--Arriving Dr. William Klein and Mr. Bernard Goldberg, RBL, for one week
- November 15- Arriving Dr. David Janos, Univ. of Miami, to attend the OTS meeting and then to BCI for 1 1/2 months to continue studies on "The Influence of Vesicular-arbuscular Mycorrhizae on Plant Succession" and "The Mychorrhizal Ecology of Achlorophyllous Vascular Plants".

 Ms. Laurie McHargue will also be coming to work with Dr. Janos on these projects.
- November 15- Leaving Dr. Ross Robertson on an official trip to Palau Island, funded by a Fluid Research Grant, to conduct studies on the "Influence of the Economics of Feeding Territo-

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES (CONT.)

riality on the Structure of Social Systems and Patterns of Sexual Dimorphism in some Coral Reef Fishes of the Western Pacific". He will also be visiting his family in Australia and consulting with colleagues in New Zealand, Australia, New Guinea, Guam, Hawaii and the U.S This extended trip will last until about 1980, when Dr. Robertson is expected back at STRI.

November 16 - Leaving Dr. Robert Dressler, who has been invited to attend the Third National Exposition of Ecuadorean Orquids and participat as a guest speaker. Dr. Dressler will be in Guayaquil, Ecuador for about 5 days.

Also leaving this week is Tom Borges on an official trip to Bar Harbor, Maine, where he will make a progress inspection of the new CDRS research vessel, and then go on to D.C. for official business at the Smithsonian. He will be gone for approximately one week (Nov. 1 20th).

A SUGGESTION

I would like to suggest an alternative to the Combined Federal Campaign. It has recently been estimated that 7 million people, half the population of Cambodia, have died from starvation and usually curable diseases for lac of food and the simplest medical supplies.

The logistical and political problems of delivering supplies are formidable, but one group OXFAM, has been uniquely successful in providing personnel supplies and getting them into the country by barge and ship. This is a British based organization which is providing solutions to world health and food problems. Their address is: OXFAM 274 Banbury Road, Oxfo DX2 7BR.

The United Federal Campaign serves a purpose, the Cambodia situation demands humanitarian commitments beyond organized play for children and senior citizens and hot coffee and donuts for disaster victims.

TOM BORGES

WINE AND CHEESE TASTING BENEFIT AT THE MUSEO DEL HOMBRE PANAMENO

The American Society is holding a Wine and Cheese Tasting Benefit on Thursday, Nov. 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the Museo del Hombre. Donation: \$5.00. Funds will be used for the preparation and maintenance of displays and exhibits at the Museum. For reservations, cal A. Kourany at 22-0211 or 52-2490.