Food for Peace Flour Authorization Issued to Viet-Nam:

The U. S. Department of Agriculture today announced issuance of an authorization to Viet-Nam to finance purchase of $1,545,000 worth of flour from U. S. suppliers under the Food for Peace program. This authorization is under the Title I, Public Law 480 agreement of Jan. 9.

Authorization 45-26 provides for purchase of about 18,000 metric tons of wheat flour, in bags. Flour milled from durum wheat of the subclasses hard amber durum, amber durum, and durum, and from red durum wheat will not be eligible for financing.

Sales contracts made between Feb. 4 and May 31 will be eligible for financing. Delivery will be to importer, f.a.s. vessel, U. S. ports. Shipments may be made between Feb. 4 and June 30.

Information concerning purchases of the flour may be obtained from the Minister of Economy (Cable Address MINECO), Saigon, Viet-Nam.

(Further information may be obtained from the Program Operations Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. 20250. Phone: Dudley 8-6463 or Dudley 8-6839. Please refer to press release USDA 304-64.)