MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS OF THE TROPICAL DISEASES STUDY SECTION:

December 5, 1946

Bethesda 14, Maryland

It has been called to our attention that the financial statement of the Research Grants Division, which was made available to each of the Study Section members, showed that as of October 31, 1946, approximately $219,000 remained available for research grants for the balance of the fiscal year expiring on June 30, 1947.

Since many of the Study Section members have not been properly informed as to the present plan of the Research Grants Division, it is the purpose of this communication to state that a supplementary application for research grant funds has now been prepared for submission to the Bureau of the Budget. This supplemental estimate requests $3,000,000 for the payment of research grants for approved research projects or for those projects which will be approved during the first six months of 1947. It is not known, obviously, as to what action Congress will take on such a request but it is believed that very considerable hope of receiving these funds is justified on the basis of the previous attitude of the Bureau of the Budget and of the Congressional Appropriations Committee.

If there are any further questions, please do not hesitate to let us know.

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