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Dear Friend,

Overleaf we illustrate the four-page 1976 album, and on the last page Panels 6 and 4A, all photos being in mockup form.

Oespatch of the albums and panels from Rome and Los Angeles is scheduled for Dctober/ 2. November. However, we cannot guarantee this timing. The logistics of assembling, say, the 34 coins from the 13 countries represented in this fifth (1976) album, remain daunting. A government leader making a small but last-minute modification of even the tiniest coin may throw out our distribution schedule by three months. And of course people late in receiving their albums have a right to complain, while enthusiastic collectors waiting for the next instalment of this unique world collection feel equally frustrated if we do not give them all possible information on future issues. These progress reports therefore try to provide a happy medium, or at least to limit unhappiness to a minimum!

3. For our sixth (1977) album, we shall probably adopt a new format, a thicker album with ten pages, sending out the coins in special portholes in two to four lots. However, the present FAO Money Panels will remain unchanged, as they seem to offer the best display possibilities. They will soon be supplemented by Panel 18, with holes for all album coins not included in earlier panels.

Thematic Collections

The number of FAO coin-types has now passed 200, and at least 100 more are in prospect. 4. The coin issue has so far been of interest to collectors for two reasons, the first-ever international coin issue and an issue on a contemporary topical theme, that of meeting the current world food challenge. Within these 200 and more coins, however, are other themes, long popular ones such as plants, animals and fisheries, and new ones such as women in development.

We have recently drawn up a list of all FAO coins illustrating them by themes, in New Issues 22 of 9 August. These New Issues are prepared primarily for Central Banks and numismatic journalists, but because of the likely interest of this thematic listing, we are also making it available to all our collectors. The coins listed will take collectors beyond the 1976 albums and panels, and for the time being will serve instead of the more detailed tabulations which we have to put out for the 1975 coins onward. This we hope to do in late 1976 in the form of a second edition of the colour booklet 'FAD Money', distributed in August 1975.

Ceres Medal Booklet

With Newsletter 18 of 15 June we distributed the promised colour booklet illustrating 6. our first 30 Ceres medals. We have now begun the steady climb to our goal of selling by September 1977 a maximum 1000 sets in 63 mm bronze-gilt, 1000 sets in 63 mm silver, and 1000 sets in 22 mm gold. The medals highlight the role of women in world food development: with these sales, we hope to make a significant financial contribution to this goal.

With all good wishes,

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