OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

Purpose of this section is to summarize in short, direct assertions the guidelines that have been stated and explained in the Handbook. It follows the handbook directly, and by referring to the table of contents you can find the more detailed treatment.

I. Introduction

A. The handbook is a synthesis of experience.
B. It is intended for all of the personnel involved in the life of a donor project.
C. The donor process from project development to evaluation is described.
D. The handbook is organized around the typical process.
E. FSR/E is considered vital to the conventional R/E process and is defined broadly.
F. The "farming system" is also defined broadly.
G. Emphasis is placed on models to help with communication.
H. Panel which reviewed working draft #2 is listed.

Chapter II. Operational Principles

A. FSR/E deals with technology from farmer's viewpoint.
B. Farmer involvement is essential to FSR/E.
C. FSR/E is a problem-solving approach.
D. FSR/E is essential to the technology innovation process.
E. Research and extension systems make up only one component of the institutional structure, called the Macro-Environment, needed for agricultural development.
F. Technical assistance in FSR/E needs to be oriented to institution building, not just the success of a project.