LETTER OF GREETINGS TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE VIITH INTERNATIONAL SUNFLOWER CONFERENCE FROM V.K. MESYATS, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE USSR

On behalf of the Board of the USSR Ministry of Agriculture I cordially greet the participants in the VIIth International Sunflower Conference.

It is common knowledge that increased production of oil crops is a pressing problem whose solution is vital to the population in many regions of the world. A comprehensive discussion by your Conference of topical problems of genetics and breeding, biochemistry and seed growing, agronomy of cultivating and technology of processing sunflower will undoubtedly promote the accomplishment of this task. A broad exchange of views and creative discussions among scientists and experts of different countries will make a new contribution to science and practice.

There is no doubt that the present International Sunflower Conference will be instrumental in strengthening and extending fruitful scientific contacts, in further improving mutual understanding, and in consolidating peace and friendship among nations.

I wish the Conference success to.