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Dr. M. K. Swaminathan, FRS  
General Foods World Food Prize

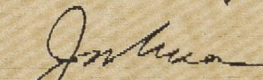
Dear Swami:

I was so pleased to hear the news of your award. There could not have been a more appropriate choice. The central focus of application of plant genetics technology has moved a long way since our association at the University of Wisconsin Genetics Department almost 40 years ago. I can think of no one who has combined the insights of the cutting edges of biological science, with attention to the most urgent of human needs, with the competence, devotion and energy that you have given.

The world is and will be a better place on account of your contributions to its welfare.

With my very best personal wishes and congratulations,

Yours sincerely,

  
Joshua Lederberg

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

2101 Constitution Avenue Washington, D. C. 20418

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 29, 1987

Dr. M.S. Swaminathan  
Director-General  
International Rice Research Institute  
Los Banos, Philippines

Dear Dr. Swaminathan:

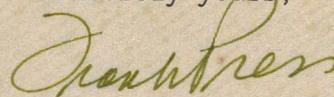
Of all the problems which the people of our world must tackle, none is more fundamental than insuring adequate food supplies. Food is basic to good health, child development and learning, productivity, and the ability to live a life free from want and physical deprivation.

To make a difference in the world's capacity to feed itself is indeed an awesome accomplishment, and so I congratulate you most sincerely and warmly on the honor given you as recipient of the 1987 World Food Prize. Your accomplishments as a scientist and a scientific leader should give you great personal satisfaction. More importantly, however, they have had an impact on the lives of millions of people in Asia and other parts of the developing world.

I am especially glad that this recognition comes when you are still actively at work on the new knowledge and applications of knowledge that will be needed to sustain future food supplies in the face of increasing world population and dwindling resources of land and water. May your efforts continue to be as productive and vital as they have to the present time.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,



Frank Press  
President



JIMMY CARTER

October 6, 1987

To Dr. M. S. Swaminathan

Rosalynn and I want to add our congratulations to those you are receiving from your friends and colleagues throughout the world. The General Foods World Food Prize is an outstanding way to recognize your achievements in improving the world food supply.

You can take pride in knowing that many generations of people will benefit from your contributions. Your accomplishments will be of great advantage to scientists and agronomists of the future who will continue your efforts to meet the needs of our expanding population.

Sincerely,

*Jimmy Carter*

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TO : WINROCK INTERNATIONAL, ARKANSAS  
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ATTN: DR. M.S. SWAMINATHAN  
FROM: PROF. DR. D.F.R. BOMMER, CHAIRMAN, ATSAF

WE WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE DR. SWAMINATHAN FOR RECEIVING THE  
WORLD FOOD PRICE DONATED BY GENERAL FOODS. YOU CERTAINLY MERIT  
THIS AWARD BECAUSE OF YOUR GREAT ENTHUSIASM AND ENGAGEMENT FOR  
THE CAUSE OF IMPROVING THE SITUATION OF THE POOR.

WITH MY BEST REGARDS, SINCERELY,  
DIETER BOMMER, CHAIRMAN, GERMAN COUNCIL FOR TROPICAL AND SUB-  
TROPICAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

TO : DR. M.S. SWAMINATHAN  
FROM: RD THOMAS SCHURIG, SAZ

I WOULD LIKE TO SEND YOU OUR WHOLE HEARTED CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE  
AWARD OF THE WORLD FOOD PRICE GIVEN BY GENERAL FOODS.

WITH BEST REGARDS,  
THOMAS SCHURIG, FEDERAL MINISTRY FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Dr. Swaminathan:

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate you on being chosen as the First General Foods World Food Prize Laureate.

This award recognizes what many in the global food and agricultural community have known for a long time -- that your efforts have made a dramatic and lasting impact on improving world food supply. I also applaud your outstanding work in India, where you earned the well-deserved title of "Father of the Green Revolution," and your continued efforts to pioneer the field of agricultural research at the International Research Institute in the Phillipines. You can be proud of these accomplishments as well as the dignity and self-reliance you have helped to bring to the people you have served.

Again congratulations, and best wishes for continued success in your work.

Sincerely,

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan  
General Foods  
250 North Street  
White Plains, New York 10625

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September 30, 1987

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan  
International Rice Research Institute  
Los Banos, Philippines

Dear Dr. Swaminathan:

First, let me congratulate you on behalf of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and personally on being the recipient of the first General Foods World Food Prize! We wish to thank you, the International Rice Research Institute, and those who founded and have continued to fund the Institute for your foresightedness, dedication, and, above all, for showing that such an effort can be successful. The impact of your activities on world food production and distribution need not be detailed again in this short letter. The award of the Prize is clear testimony to that.

We would also like to commend the General Foods Corporation for establishing the General Foods World Food Prize to emphasize the importance of food production and distribution for the physical, psychological, social and political welfare of the peoples of the world. As an Association we are particularly aware of this because the sciences that underlie food production and distribution and the effects of malfunctions of the systems are among the concerns of our members.

Finally, please convey our congratulations to the selection committee for its wisdom in awarding the Prize to you.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

  
Lawrence Bogorad

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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

MARION BARRY, JR.  
Mayor

January 28, 1988

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan  
General Foods  
250 North Street  
White Plains, New York

Dear Dr. Swaminathan:

As Mayor of the District of Columbia, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on having been distinguished as the first General Foods World Food Prize Recipient.

I am aware that the World Food Prize was established to recognize outstanding contributors to improving the quality, quantity or availability of food in the world. With regard to the above, your highly exemplary record in the realm of world food supply improvement bespeaks of a valiant, selfless, and dedicated individual. As the "*Father of the Green Revolution*" in India, and Director General of the International Rice Research Institute, you have occupied a vanguard position in the improvement of the quality and productivity of Asia's principal foodstuff - rice. Your pride in your accomplishments can only be outweighed by those, such as myself, who manifest a pronounced desire for your continued success and contributions toward the eradication of world hunger.

On behalf of the residents of the District of Columbia, again congratulations and best wishes for your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marion Barry, Jr." in a cursive style.

MARION BARRY, JR.  
MAYOR  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA





BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT  
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY

Agency for International Development  
Washington, D.C. 20523

February 12, 1988

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan, Director  
International Rice Research Institute  
Los Banos, Laguna  
Philippines

Dear Dr. Swaminathan:

The Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD) offers its most sincere congratulations to you for being the first recipient of the International Food Prize. It's a signal honor to a most deserving person. The BIFAD applauds your lifelong devotion and service to the noble cause of feeding the world. It's only through a constant battle that this objective will be achieved. There's still so much research and technology transfer yet to be done in order to achieve sustainable agricultural systems on a world-wide basis. Your achievements serve as a constant model for the breakthroughs yet to come.

Sincerely,

William E. Lavery  
Chairman

F.F. Hill

701, The Parkway, New York 14850, NY  
Ithaca,

Dear Dr. Swaminathan

I sincerely apologize for delaying so long  
in writing to congratulate you on ~~your~~ <sup>your</sup> the  
many honors and ~~and~~ awards received  
during the past few months. They are  
richly deserved. Your service to world  
agriculture over the years ~~has~~ has indeed been  
great ~~both on~~ <sup>both on</sup> the scientific and applied  
side. May you enjoy the good

health that <sup>will</sup> enable you to contribute in  
the future as you have in the past.

Sincerely yours

F.F. Hill

P.S. I had some "Mini-strokes" a few  
years ago that stiffened my fingers and  
made it difficult for me to write  
or ~~print~~ print. I do not type. I write few  
~~letters~~ letters. They are short and  
difficult to read for the people that  
receive them. My apologies. I am in good  
health.

F.H.

Replied  
D.C.