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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

FRANCIS CAPELLE, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF FRENCH WHEAT AND GRAIN PRODUCERS

Francis Capelle is 38 years old and holds a graduate degree in rural economics and engineering from the French National Institute of Agronomy (1972).

Mr. Capelle owns a 1,500 acre farm (100 miles North-east of Paris), in partnership with his brother, where he grows winter wheat and barley (750 acres) and row crops of sugar beet, potatoes, protein peas and corn (750 acres).

Besides being a member of the board of the Association of French Wheat and Grain Producers, Mr. Capelle is also a member of the board of the regional cooperative UNEPI involved in grain stocking and milling.

Mr. Capelle spent five months in England in 1984 on a "Nuffield Farming Scholarship" in order to compare the production systems, especially the more efficient in Great Britain and France.

Mr. Capelle visited recently the San Francisco Bay Area (April to May 1986) on a "Rotary International Foundation Scholarship". He also travelled to the U.S. in 1972 and 1982.

He lives on his farm in Crecy-sur-Serre and is married with four children.

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