

APPENDIX B

Criteria for Selecting Weeds Appropriate  
for Biological Control Investigations.

For each weed the following should be considered:

1. Its economic importance.
2. Whether there are acceptable alternative methods of control.
3. The desirability of controlling the plant wherever it grows.
4. The possibility of finding suitable agents to control the weed considering (a) its growth form, and (b) its habitat.
5. Its relationship to cultivated species.
6. The nature of other plants which might replace the weed if biological control is successful.
7. The accessibility of the regions where suitable insects are likely to be found.
8. The possibility of concurrent studies of several weeds in the same region overseas.