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## PLANT MATERIAL INTRODUCED BY THE DIVISION OF PLANT EXPLORATION AND INTRODUCTION, BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY,<sup>1</sup> JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1939 (Nos. 133382 to 134283)

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This inventory, No. 140, lists plant material (Nos. 133382 to 134283) received by the Division of Plant Exploration and Introduction during the period from July 1 to September 30, 1939. It is a historical record of plant material introduced for Department and other specialists, and is not to be considered as a list of plant material for distribution.

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### INVENTORY

#### 133382 to 133385. *MUSA* spp. Musaceae. **Banana.**

From Cuba. Plants presented by F. G. Walsingham, Atkins Institution of the Arnold Arboretum, Soledad, Cienfuegos. Received July 1, 1939.

#### 133382 to 133384. *MUSA PARADISIACA* L. **Plantain.**

133382. *Burro*. A short stubby fruit, coarse in flesh and inferior in quality to both the *Macho* and *Hembra* varieties.

133383. *Hembra*. This plantain resembles the *Macho* variety, but is somewhat smaller and is inferior in quality. The flesh is said to be harder.

133384. *Macho*. This is the largest and best of the plantains, or cooking bananas, and is the standard variety of commerce. The fruits are from 9 to 12 inches long.

#### 133385. *MUSA PARADISIACA* var. *SAPIENTUM* (L.) Kuntze.

*Morado*. A short, thick fruit with a thinnish red skin. It is best baked when it becomes dry and mealy.

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