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Dr. Frederick H. Burkhardt  
 American Council of Learned Societies  
 345 East 46th Street  
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Dear Dr. Burkhardt:

Despite the authenticity of the issues raised by the Negotiating Team at our recent Presidential Search Committee meeting, I cannot help but note the dignity and patience that you and other members of the Board of Higher Education displayed as you received and reacted to the concerns and criticisms presented. Aside from the admitted insensitivity on the part of members of The City University, it was also revealed that our members of the Negotiating Team were even more suspicious than we had articulated.

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frowning*

It is my belief that this realization and awareness provides an opportunity to build on the relationship that we had established formerly, for we have had evidence that both parties are sincere and have flexibility. In these tense and uncertain times our joint activities, successfully completed, could provide the model that would serve as the necessary image to be emulated.

The Negotiating Team sincerely hopes that the Board of Higher Education members of our Presidential Search Committee can continue to meet the challenges which will enable us to overcome unavoidable problems, and to achieve our common goals.

Very truly yours,

*Albert Vann*

Albert Vann, Chairman

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