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Dear Dr. Morales:

As Chairman of the Committee of the Eighth National Conference, I should like to keep members of the National Commission informed of the latest developments with respect to program plans for this Conference.

The Conference Committee met for the second time on Sunday, January 8, and a summary report of this meeting is attached for your general information. The Committee has tentatively approved the first draft of the preliminary program which was developed in consultation with members of the Committee and various experts in the African field. The outline of the general plan of the Conference program is also enclosed with this letter.

It is the hope of this Committee that every member of the Commission will be in some way an active participant in the Conference program. You are needed to fill certain parts in the program, particularly in the 75 odd panels which will be held during the entire period of the Conference, as panelists, rapporteurs, consultants, and discussion leaders. Your assistance is also needed to escort VIP's, particularly the Africans on the program, who are expected to be present in larger numbers than in previous conferences.

I would appreciate it very much if you would review the enclosed plan of the Conference program and indicate the panel on which you would like to serve, and in what capacity, by checking the appropriate block provided on the form. Since we are anxious to complete the preliminary program as soon as possible, it is important that you complete the form and return it to me within the next ten days. Every effort will be made to place your name in the slot selected but as you can understand, the Committee will need to make the final selection.

The Honorable Arturo Morales Carrion, Under Secretary of State Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico. May I invite you also to make comments on the Conference in general and the tentative program plan. Your suggestions will be most gratefully received.

Sincerely yours,

Vermon mcKay

Vernon McKay Chairman, Eighth National Conference U.S. National Commission for UNESCO

Enclosures:

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- 1. Summary minutes of meeting of January 8.
- 2. Outline of Conference program.
- 3. Reply form.