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The Honorable Luis Muñoz Marín
Governor of Puerto Rico
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Dear Governor Muñoz Marín:

It gives me great pleasure, on behalf of the Institute’s Board of Trustees, to invite you to take a major role in the Fourth National Conference on Exchange of Persons to be held in San Francisco, California, from November 30 through December 3.

If your schedule permits you to attend, we would be pleased to have you serve as a member of a plenary session panel discussion on "Educational Cooperation with Other Nations, The U. S. Role" to be held on the morning of Friday, December 2. We are asking Ed Murrow to chair this panel and are inviting Henry Heald, Paul G. Hoffman, Franklin D. Murphy, and Thomas J. Watson, Jr. to serve as your co-panelists.

We would like to run this session informally, without prepared speeches, and to focus on such questions as (1) United States responsibility for programs of international educational assistance; (2) new methods of furthering educational development abroad, including the establishment in foreign countries of national and regional training centers, third-country training programs, and the use of United States Government-owned local currencies; and (3) ways in which the United States may cooperate with European countries in programs of educational assistance to the developing nations of Asia, Africa, and Latin America.

As you will note from the enclosed preliminary program, the theme of the Fourth National Conference is "Educational Exchange for the Mutual Development of Nations." Approximately one thousand delegates from the United States and other countries will meet in plenary sessions and discussion groups to consider such topics as the role of education in the development of nations, the contribution of international exchanges to the achievement of national goals, the role of the United States in educational cooperation with other nations, and the planning and administration of exchange programs.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience whether we may count on having you with us.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Holland
President

Enclosures