Dr. Arturo Morales Carrion
Acting Secretary of State
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Dear Arturo:

I am writing to invite you to take part in the Third National Conference on Exchange of Persons which the Institute is sponsoring in cooperation with 130 national Participating and Observer Organizations in Washington, D.C., from January 28 through 31. The Conference will be held at the Mayflower Hotel.

The theme of the Conference, which will mark the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Institute, is "World Progress Through Educational Exchange." A copy of the tentative program is enclosed. The Conference is the third in a series of national meetings which have made a significant contribution to the evaluation of exchanges and to the development of public support for such programs. We anticipate the participation of approximately 1,000 persons from all sections of the United States, including leaders in education, the arts, labor, religion, business and industry, the professions, and government. The Conference will provide an opportunity for a review of the 20-year record of United States cultural relations with foreign nations, of the contribution of current exchange programs to international understanding and progress, and of plans for future exchange activities. We expect that workshop sessions and other small group meetings will, in addition, provide an opportunity for concentrated discussion of the goals, achievements, problems, and techniques of international exchange.

I should like to invite you to serve as a panelist at the Workshop on exchanges between the United States and Latin America. This Workshop will meet on Friday, January 30, from 2 to 5:30 p.m. We are inviting to serve as your co-panelists: Mr. Walter Donnelly, Special Representative to Brazil, United States Steel Corporation; Mr. Herbert Matthews, Member of the Editorial Board, New York Times; Mr. R. R. Rubottom, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs, Department of State, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Lewis Hanke, Director, Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas; Mr. James A. Perkins, Vice President, Carnegie Corporation, New York.

Since each workshop is intended to provide a forum for informal and concentrated discussion of the workshop topic, panelists are not expected to make lengthy, formal presentations. We are asking each panelist to open the discussion...
with a five-minute statement of what seem to him to be the most challenging and important problems in the field. We shall send each panelist prior to the Conference a draft discussion outline for his amendments and additions so that there may be a common understanding among participants of possible discussion topics.

Although we are most anxious to assure the participation of persons of distinction in their respective fields, such as yourself, I regret to inform you that budgetary limitations will preclude financial assistance to Conference delegates, including persons on the Conference program.

I urge you to give favorable consideration to this invitation. We are convinced of the importance of this Conference, and we know that your record of leadership qualifies you to contribute to the success of this meeting.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience. If you would prefer to send me your answer by collect wire, that would be quite acceptable.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Holland
President

Enclosure