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Dear Dr. Ferrater-Mora:

As you undoubtedly know, Congressional appropriations for the State Department's educational and cultural exchange programs have been drastically cut. Most seriously affected have been grants for United States students to study abroad. In all probability there will be a total of about 100 grants this year as opposed to 800 last year. There will be no grants at all for study in Spain.

Consequently, as a result of the elimination of the program for study in Spain, we must cancel the previously scheduled National Screening Committee meeting. I should like to express our thanks for your willingness to serve on the committee, and would hope that at some future time we might have the benefit your experience contributes.

The circumstances which have forced me to write this letter are particularly regrettable. The Institute has expressed its concern over the emasculation of the Study Abroad Program to the appropriate authorities and leaders. Many of our colleagues and friends outside the Institute have also expressed their concern. Hopefully, the combined efforts of these voices will have some significant effect in the revitalization of the program or in the inception of a substitute for it.

Although the Institute of International Education has participated in the Government's exchange program for twenty years, its interests and concern transcend its administrative involvement. It believes that the Fulbright-Hays program has played a unique role in educational exchange. I am sure that you will agree that the program has not only had a profound influence upon the participants and their careers but has also brought great credit to this country and provided a truly meaningful means of cooperation between the United States and other nations.

December 11, 1968 Dr. Jose Ferrater-Mora -2-I should be greatly interested to have you share any thoughts you might care to express concerning the radical curtailment of the Fulbright-Hays program. Sincerely, Emarial . Catilia Howard A. Cutler Executive Vice President