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Dear Professor Ferrater-Mora:

I was pleased to read a very favorable comment on the U.S. Government exchange program in the education section of the New York Times of Sunday, February 26. In the context of the article on the NSA-CIA problem, Mr. Hechinger wrote: "Ironically, at the time of all the undercover academic gamesmanship, the most effective and prestigious individual grants to qualified students were indeed Government-financed. They were the "Fulbrights" - the cream of grants to post war exchange students."

Your service on the National Screening Committee contributes significantly to the reputation which this program continues to enjoy.

Now I wish to solicit your advice with regard to the nomination of one or two academic and professional colleagues whom you think would be helpful and interested members of the committee. Each year we seek to identify a panel of competent professional persons who can work effectively on one of the specialized subcommittees in order to assemble a rather large number of possibilities to be considered to replace those who leave because of normal attrition and turnover. It will be helpful if you can tell us if there is a biographical sketch in the Dictionary of American Scholars, Who's Who, Men of Science, or other standard reference for the person whom you nominate.

We are especially interested in including faculty Fulbright grantees and former student grantees who have attained distinction since their return to the U.S. We seek to represent on the National Screening Committee a variety of institutions and some members from the professions and the business world with experience in the fields and countries concerned. We always have a problem of maintaining the balance between geographic distribution of members and travel costs. It is sometimes a little hard to identify candidates from minority groups as well as qualified women for the committee. We will greatly appreciate having your assistance in identifying such persons.

While you are writing me, I should also be pleased to have your constructive criticism on the operations of your committee this year. Did it have members from the appropriate fields of study? Did the members work together as a team? Was there enough time for the meeting? Was the staff support satisfactory?

four counsel will help us to continue this fine program.

Sincerely yours,

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Chairman National Screening Committee