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Dr. George Axinn
Chief of Party
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University of Nigeria
Nsukka, East Nigeria
West Africa

Dear George:

Do not be too surprised when you receive this letter. Just remember that the University of Nigeria and you will be long remembered. I know that you are making a new type of contribution to the university in your present capacity. How are Nancy and the kids?

The main purpose of this letter is to obtain your reaction to a proposed study that I would like to make with reference to the Department of Student Affairs at the university. I am contemplating a study, "Blending A Trend of Student Personnel Services In Nigeria" or some modification.

Basically, I am interested in its growth and the impact on other institutions of higher education in Nigeria. I would like to:

1. Appraise the growth of the student personnel program at the University of Nigeria and determine the extent to which the Nigerian, who replaced me has implemented the recommended program of work.
2. Determine the extent to which the major concepts of the intellectualist and personal approaches to education have been blended or excluded.
3. Determine the nature and extent of the impact of the student personnel program at the University of Nigeria on other major institutions of higher education in Nigeria.

In order to accomplish the study, I plan to apply for a grant from the Social Science Research Council. I would like to have you as one of my references.

Before sending you the "Confidential Report" form for completion, I would appreciate your frank evaluation of the idea. Is the proposed

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project realistic? Will it be worthwhile? Do you feel that this project would best be accomplished by a person having a better theoretical background?

Since you have grown with the University of Nigeria throughout its phenomenal development, your candid opinion would be accepted with gratefulness.

Very truly yours,

B. L. Perry, Jr.
Director
Research and Grants

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T.M. Reg.

19 October 1965

Mr. William B. Hawley
Co-ordinator, University of Nigeria Program
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Dear Bill:

Indirectly, I have heard that you are now in the States, that you have made all the needed re-adjustments and that you are operating in several capacities like a ball of fire. Congratulations. I always envied your storehouse of energy.

Allow me to change the pace to a more serious overtone. I am contemplating a study, "Blending A Trend of Student Personnel Services In Nigeria" or some modification. Basically, I am interested in the growth of the Department of Student Affairs at the University of Nigeria and would like to:

1. Appraise the growth of the student personnel concepts and program at the University of Nigeria and determine the extent to which the Nigerian counterpart who replaced me has implemented the recommended program of work.
2. Determine the extent to which the major concepts of the intellectualists and personal approaches to education have been blended or excluded.
3. Determine the nature and extent of the influence that the Student Personnel Program at the University of Nigeria has exerted on other major institutions of higher education in Nigeria.

In order to accomplish this study, I would like to apply for a grant from the Social Science Research Council. I would like therefore, for you to serve as one of my references.

Before sending you the "Confidential Report" forms, I would like your candid opinion. Is the project worthwhile? Is it realistic? Can I get the needed information in four (4) weeks? Is my academic acumen sufficient to meet the expectations and requirements of the Social Science Research

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I respect your judgement. For that reason I am soliciting your reaction and opinions before the application is submitted.

Nickie and Kim send a big "hello" to you, Dot, and Bryen.

Very truly yours,

B. L. Perry, Jr.

BLP,jr/tr

August 29, 1967

Dr. B. L. Perry
1446 Perry Street
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Dear Nicky, B.L. and Kimmy:

As you know, your friend Mr. Gant (I believe that was his name) called me while he was in Lansing. It was such a pleasant surprise. George Fritz happened to be at our house and he passed on his felicitations. A few days later when I was talking with George Axinn about the phone call he said, "Oh, that's who that was." Evidently George was sleeping when your friend called George and the phone was right next to the bed. George remembers answering the phone and discussing something about somebody with somebody else, but never woke up enough to know exactly who was calling about whom. As you know, George is a teetotaler so if Mr. Gant thought George was all juiced up, you'll know that this was not the case -- he was merely 90% asleep.

Things are looking pretty dark for this project now due to the war in Nigeria. Andy Doyle is our present Chief of Party and he is in Lagos with Bob McKeen, our present Administrative Officer. We have eight advisors cooling their heels in Amsterdam awaiting a decision about the future. The rest of our people have been phased out and back into their departments at MSU. I feel rather pessimistic as I cannot see A.I.D. going much longer under the present circumstances whereby people are sitting around drawing their salary and per diem and not producing anything. We believe our MSU campus staff will also be reduced so we are now looking for a new job for Doane. We have been kicking it around for quite a few years so I guess now is the best time to maybe put it into action -- that being setting up some sort of coordinative unit under the Dean (working with Axinn) which would coordinate all the administrative activities for MSU's entire overseas involvement.

Don't you blokes ever get up this way? We certainly have a large group of "have beens" here and your names pop up quite often -- you sure made a lot of friends in East Lansing.

Let me see if I can briefly summarize what some of the people you know are doing now. George Axinn - Assistant Dean, International Programs. Jack Bain - Dean of Communications (how about that? -- effective July 1). Jim Boyd - is here teaching. Andy Doyle is Chief of Party. Carl Eicher, Jack Elliott, George Ferns - are all here at MSU. Barry Floyd is in Jamaica. George Fritz is here and lives right across the street from us. Ed Hammerskjold is in private business in Detroit. John Hanson is here. Bill Hawley is Associate Dean, College of Education here. Hugh Henderson is here and also lives in our neighborhood. John Henderson, George Johnson, Glen Johnson, John Kramer, Elwood Lawrence are all here at East Lansing. Ed Lawson had just "re-enlisted"

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for his fifth and sixth year at Nsukka, but is presently in the U.S.A. on home leave and we are all wondering whether or not he will be able to go back. Kirk Lawton is head of MSU's International Agricultural Institute. Bill Lindquist is here. Bob Lumianski has been in Lagos with a special MSU/Peace Corps project and due to return this December. MacFarlane is with McGill University where he originally came from. Burt Martin is here. George Moore is on terminal leave pending retirement. Niemeyer is here. Don Wagner is working on his PhD as is Fred Fink. Glen Taggart, as you probably know, was Vice Chancellor 64/66 but is presently back at his old post as Dean of International Programs. And Lew Zerby is also here at MSU. I believe all of the above were people who were living at Nsukka or Enugu at the time that you were there. There are of course a multitude of short-term advisors which you have met, but I won't attempt to enumerate them.

Well, that's all for now, I guess. Oh yes, John Wilmer and family have been in the U.S. for the past year. He was working with some research institute in Cleveland, but is now shifting somewhere else. So, that's about all I can think of for now. Stay in touch. Loads of love from Dorothy and I to you there.

Cordially,



Charles F. Doane, Jr.
Assistant Coordinator

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September 8, 1967

Mr. Charles F. Done
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Dear Dad and Dottie:

It was wonderful to receive your letter of August 29. It came as a surprise but served to cheer all of us. I am glad Jack Gant's telephone call prompted some action. Seems as if all of us procrastinate writing each other.

Bringing us up-to-date on the Nigerian Project was certainly appreciated. We wondered what affect the war was having on the MSU contributions. Since the Record stopped we can get no news. Too bad something didn't happen so I could have cooled my heels in Amsterdam or Geneva, Switzerland. Some people have all the luck. I imagine, however, that the hardship allowance has been discontinued.

I am fairly certain that Done will get a good "slot" in another program. "Big John" will pass an order for reorganization and the next thing you know you will become an associate director rather than assistant.

Say, when are you having the re-union for the "has beens." I would like to come. Could be answered if I had a legitimate reason for visiting. Send me your conference schedules. Maybe MSU has a grant that they can sub-grant me? It would be so nice to meet the Brains, Hendersons, Pritts, Howleys, etc again. Hey, what happened to George Johnson?

Nickie and Kim are fine. Nickie is acquisition librarian at the university and trying desperately to retire. I promised her she could if she can reduce inflation so that my dollars can purchase a dollar's worth of goods. Kim haunts me about snow. I promised to pour some corn meal on her in January.

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Mr. Charles F. Doane
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I am expecting my title to be changed soon. I am not sure if it will be promotion or a demotion. I feel that the job might ultimately give me the shock needed to leave Tallahassee. If so, MSU will receive my first letter of application. I need some refresher courses anyway.

Why don't you and Dottie plan to visit Florida (in the winter time please)? This heat is worst than the heat at Nauvoo. Rickie, Kim and I have a home which we moved in January 1, 1965. Your room is available.

Thanks for the letter again. Keep me posted regarding international opportunities.

Very truly yours,

B. L. Perry, Jr.
Director of Research and Grants

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December 21, 1967

Dear Dr. Perry,

Thank you for your letter of December 14, 1967 together with a check.

I am sorry I could not reply to your letter earlier than now because of my examinations. We closed yesterday for the Christmas holiday, and will reopen on January 3.

I long to see you and your family, and it is really interesting to hear from you. I hope you and your wife are doing well. I am fine, but sometimes become worried about my family. It is about eight months ^{now} since I heard from my wife. As you are aware, Biafra campus has been invaded by the federal army, and I do not know the whereabouts of my family. The war is still going on, and in view of the blockade of Biafra no communication has been received from home.

I cannot say what is actually happening in Nigeria today since there no reliable source of information. But it would appear that all schools in Biafra have been closed down. This is really unfortunate, and I sympathize with the common man. We learn that many people have been killed on

both sides. Biafra lost its capital, Enugu, in October, but they have refused to surrender. The headquarters is now at Aba.

I shall be a sophomore next semester, i.e. January, 1968. Our University will be operating quarterly, beginning next session. I like this system because it will enable me to graduate earlier than it should be. I shall inform you of my progress from time to time.

Once again, I thank you immensely for the check, and wish you a prosperous new year.

Sincerely yours,
Edo.

P.S.

Congratulations on your new position as the Dean of Administration! Give my love to Ellen, your daughter.