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Dear Lynn:

I am told that you are now the acting chair of the division on Women and Crime. My empathy and congrats both! I am writing to see if we can pull off something that was fairly successful last year again this year. This is a joint submission of candidates to the ASC for Division nominations. Last year Meda agreed to do this and we got two of our jointly nominated people in the running for offices. I'm also writing Gary LaFree, chair of the International Division, to see if perhaps the three of us might be able to at least come up with some overlap.

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Please write me at my home address (715 South Shore Drive, Portage, MI, 49002) and let me know how you want to proceed, i.e., if it is possible to submit a joint slate of nominations between our two divisions, or if you'd be willing to do this with certain names added or deleted, or those people International would be willing to endorse, etc. The deadline to get this stuff to Thornberry (the chair of the ASC nominations committee) is August 1.

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If I don't hear from you by July 15, I will assume that this was not a feasible route to take this year. Please feel free to call and discuss this, or other matters should you need to, at (616) 329-7473 (I'm working on my rape book at home all summer)--there's a machine, as I'm hard to find. I'll look forward to hearing from you.

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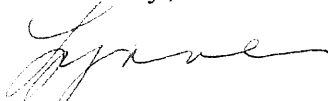
Dear Susan:

I hope all went well with the policy after I left the board meeting the other day. It seems that your first estimate of 6 was about right. My kudos to you for sitting so long!

I am writing to remind you of the conversation we had concerning circulating a questionnaire on women's (and minority?) equity issues to the candidates for ASC offices. I think it's a really good idea and hope you will be able to locate a prototype for us to use. If you could make whatever changes in the ASA questionnaire that you think would be advisable for adapting it to our needs, that would be great.

Thanks for your help on the harassment policy. I hope you are okay about the outcome.

Sincerely,



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November 12, 1992

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Dear Del:

It was good to see you in New Orleans. I wanted to pass along a couple of things that came up at the Division of International Criminology's business meeting in New Orleans and/or in a meeting that I had with the other two ASC division chairpersons. I think the ASC decided last year to invite the chairs of the three divisions to do short reports at the ASC Executive Board meeting each year. I got a letter to this effect from Al Blumstein last April with a note that said I would be recontacted later with a time and location of the Executive Board Meeting. I was never recontacted. I went to the ASC Executive Board meeting on Tuesday in New Orleans, but found Division business was not on the agenda. I am not sure if it was on the agenda for the Saturday meeting because my flight left on Friday afternoon. In any event, improving communication between the divisions and the ASC would seem to be a good policy. The International Division is now up to 250 members and has been increasingly active in recent years.

I think it might also be a good idea to develop better communication with the divisions in terms of planning for the annual meeting. Although the DIC sponsored four international sections at the New Orleans meetings, we had no formal place in planning the program. In fact, we had no real idea of the sections that would be of interest to our membership until the preliminary program was circulated right before the meetings. At the very least, it would be useful for us to know which sections dealing with comparative and international criminology issues are going to be offered so that we can advertise them in our division newsletter. It would also make a lot of sense to include a division representative on the Program Planning Committee. Finally, the ASC might want to consider formalizing somewhat the relationship


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President, American Society of Criminology

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between the divisions and the association. The American Sociological Association and its relationship to sections might provide a useful model here.

Anyway, I hope these comments are of some use.

Best wishes


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April 28, 1992

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Dear Gary:

On behalf of the ASC Executive Board, I want to thank you for the helpful report you prepared that was given consideration and specific attention at our mid-year meeting in March.

In response to suggestions we have received, we would like to invite you, or your successor, to give us a short oral report at the ASC Board meeting in New Orleans that will take place on Saturday afternoon, November 8. We would like to allocate about ten to fifteen minutes for each of our divisions. Sarah Hall or Christy Visser will be touch with you to schedule those visits.

Many thanks for working with us, and best wishes for continued success of your division.

*ASC Business Meeting?
ASC Executive Committee meeting?
Yours truly,*



Which is fine
Alfred Blumstein

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To: lgq1@psuadmin.BITNET

November 30, 1992

Dear People,

One way or another, you're on a convenient e-mail list (and Sue, please pass this on to Susan) for me to contact people simulataneously in and around ASC from center through divisions to local arrangements. I promised a bunch of you I'd write a draft of what I'd send to Del Elliott (who isn't yet hooked up to e-mail) for your comment and for information:

Dear Del,

I really appreciate the grace with which you took time out to hear me, Brian MacLean and Walter DeKeseredy, and then to make Women's Division Chair Lynn Goodstein and me feel welcome to participate in your first board meeting in New Orleans.

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In the taxi from airport to downtown New Orleans, I discovered I was due to become chair of the Critical Criminology Division. I belong to the Women's and International Divisions as well. Lynn, International Division Chair Gary LaFree and I sat down and agreed on what we want and how we aim to talk about it. Gary has already sent you a letter. Here's mine, which I'm asking to have published in the Criminologist.

Here's what I'm asking, in consultation with others as opportunity allows, on behalf of myself and the divisions to which I belong. I'll put my requests in order of urgency:

PLenary/ROUNDTABLE COMBINATION IN PHOENIX

I asked you to schedule a series of perhaps two roundtables by division, preparatory to an interdivisional plenary. You told me you needed to a title and organizers soon. Lynn, Gary and I have consulted on a draft of this letter and agreed to entitle the plenary "Responding to Violence" in keeping with the general theme of the meeting. Plenary speakers would be reporters from each of the three divisions. We would need a meeting room for each division roundtable, I'd suggest on two

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occasions, perhaps scheduled against other roundtables. Each "roundtable" would be convened by an appointee of the division chair, and be conducted as a town meeting, roughly so that the first roundtable in the set would be to lay issues on the table and the second to take stands on how to respond. For now, all you need to do is list Lynn, Gary and me as organizers of the plenary and roundtables. We pledge to get the details in in ample time for the program. I'd further like to invite the student division to make a point of putting a reporter and roundtables into this section of the program. Ditto, as I'll explain, for including the local arrangements committee. What say?

OTHER SESSIONS

As you assured us, we haven't begun to test the limits of the program committee to including other sessions our member offer. Great.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

I'd personally like to see us get in touch with local criminal justice people in the communities in which we meet. Phoenix is a natural place for us to receive perhaps a Hopi or Navajo welcome, and I am aware that

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there a welter of community programs and activists there upon whom to draw. I invite the local arrangements committee to arrange a series of panels, perhaps resulting in another plenary, on local issues. In addition to prison tours, I would hope local people could take us on tours as of neighborhood and other community programs, in conjunction with the sessions. I am e-mailing this message to friends at ASU and NAU in hopes of facilitating this aspect of ASC program development. I am inspired by the tradition Al and Betty Lee helped establish at Association for Humanist Sociology meetings.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

You assured me, Del, that there is no problem understanding that those we nominate get formally put on the ASC program committee. You told me the trick was to ensure that we divisions got our nominees in to Jerry

Skolnick in time for his appointments. Accordingly, I'm nominating us four division chairs, and a representative of the local arrangements committee, to be appointed as a program subcommittee for inter-divisional cooperation in ASC program development.

1 NOMINATION TO ASC OFFICE

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Del, as I recall we served together a decade ago on the last constitution and bylaws committee to initiate much substantive change. The one thing I recall pushing hardest besides facilitating creation of divisions was the right of membership to write-in nomination. I understand it now takes sixty or seventy ASC members to place a candidate on the ballot for any office. So hey, it is fair to leave it to us to come up with our own joint slate, recommend it to our joint membership through the Criminologist, and leave it to members to do as they wish. Let's see how the system works. The Nominating Committee and the Board can simply add two more options for our selection. As far as I'm concerned, the more viable choices the better.

EX-OFFICIO DIVISION MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD

The three new divisions have joined in asking the Board to grant division chairs ex-officio status. I'm sympathetic. I'm also aware that (a) the ASC constitution makes Board meetings open and (b) all ex-officio status means is that those members present may enter "debate." Lynn and I did that at your November meeting. The Board voted to leave it to the ASC president's discretion how and when division chairs could

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put items on the agenda and offer comment at meetings.

I must say I hope this becomes a moot issue. I don't see that I, Lynn or any member who cares to sit through a Board meeting and offer comment ought to threaten anyone's order. My predecessor as Critical Criminology chair, Susan Caringella-MacDonald, accepts the idea of holding the formal proposal in abeyance in the hope that good will and common sense will make Board members welcome division input--in and out of meetings--no formal action required.

Here's an irony: I must be the oldest division chair yet, and still I feel profoundly suspect on any "side" for thinking we can just get on with making better meetings together with nothing to lose by free exchange in whatever forum we share. I'm encouraged that you apparently feel the same. What's the big deal? Thanks for joining in the spirit of innovative collaboration.

Love and peace, Hal Pepinsky

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