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Teachers College · Columbia University, New York, N. Y. 10027

INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

April 16, 1964

Dear President Elliott:

Under a grant from the Carnegie Corporation the Institute of Higher Education is making an intensive study of the predominantly Negro colleges and universities in the United States. Although we cannot make an equally comprehensive survey, we would also like to obtain a limited amount of information about the opportunities for Negro students in other institutions of higher education.

Hence, we would appreciate it if you would supply such information as is available in your institution on the following matters:

1. How many Negro students attend your institution?

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- 2. What percentage do they constitute of the total enrollment? We recognize that most institutions do not keep statistics by race. If, however, such precise data are not available, would you supply your best estimates?
- 3. Does your institution have any arrangement for the exchange of students with a predominantly Negro college or university? If so, would you describe the arrangement briefly and name the cooperating institution?
- 4. Are there any Negroes on the faculty of your institution? If so, how many?
- 5. Do you now exchange faculty members with predominantly Negro institutions? If so, how many persons are involved this academic year from your institution? If you do not exchange personnel now, are you planning to do so?
- 6. Has your institution entered any other cooperative arrangements with predominantly Negro institutions?

7. Do you offer special scholarships or fellowships for Negro students?

Since the survey of the predominantly Negro institutions is well advanced, I should be extremely grateful if you could let me have answers to these questions by May 1, 1964. I will deeply appreciate any cooperation you can give me in this project.

Sincerely yours,

Earl J. McGrath Executive Officer

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April 28, 1964

Dr. Earl J. McGrath
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Dear Dr. McGrath:

In response to your inquiry under date of April 16, I shall answer your questions as clearly and candidly as information on hand will permit. In the order of your letter, they are as follows:

- We estimate that some fifteen to twenty Negro students are now attending the University of Maine.
- 2) Our total full-time enrollment is approximately 5,300.
- We have no arrangement for the exchange of students with predominantly Negro colleges or universities.
- 4) There are no Negroes to my knowledge on the faculty of the University of Maine. In recent years we have had three Negroes on our faculty but none are serving at the present time.
- 5) We have no faculty exchange programs with Negro institutions and at the present time have no plans for initiating such a program.
- 6) No.
- 7) No.

I trust the above information will be helpful in your study.

Sincerely yours,

LHE: HT

Lloyd H. Elliott President

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