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**Telegram, Wesley A. Caldwell, Chairman of the Board of
Mississippi Steel Corporation, to Mississippi State University
President Dean W. Colvard, March 5, 1963**

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TELEGRAM

MARCH 5, 1963

DR. D. W. COLVARD, PRESIDENT
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY
STATE COLLEGE, MISSISSIPPI

THE INTEGRATION PROBLEM IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI IS MOST ACUTE AT THIS TIME. CONSEQUENTLY YOUR DECISION WITH REFERENCE TO THE PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IN OUR OPINION WAS MOST INOPPORTUNE AND REGRETTABLE. WE CANNOT CONDONE THIS ACTION AND WILL THEREFORE DISCONTINUE CONTRIBUTIONS TO YOUR DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION. A COPY OF THIS TELEGRAM WILL BE FORWARDED TO EACH OF THE 300 STOCKHOLDERS OF THIS CORPORATION.

MISSISSIPPI STEEL CORPORATION

WESLEY A. CALDWELL,
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

*As a stockholder of Miss Steel Corp
and a graduate of Miss State (Class of '51),
I am in complete accord with this action by
Miss. Steel Corp. -* *W. H. Davis* *182 N. Gallatin*
St. Jackson, Miss.