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Mr. Joseph E. Slater President, Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies 717 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Mr. Slater:

I appreciated very much the opportunity to meet you on Labor Day in Aspen.

Though I have no specific intentions in mind, I am certain there are areas in which the Aspen Institute and the new Hutchins Center can work together. Our goals and areas of interest overlap significantly.

There is one bit of important information, however, which I need to correct. When we talked, I had assumed that the present building of the Center -- high atop Eucalyptus Hill here in Montecito -- was sold. The fact is that the building was not sold during my absence from Santa Barbara; and so far, there are no bidders.

You know your own needs and aspirations. But the thought occurred to me that the Aspen Institute might be interested in a west-coast location, either as principal owners or on a cooperative basis.

Should this intrigue you, please let me know at your earliest convenience.

I still expect to be in New York City on September 20 or 21, and I shall telephone your secretary for an appointment.

Sincerely yours,

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