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Dear Dr. West: I wish to acknowledge your letter of September 24th. I am torn by conflicting emotions with reference to Dr. Easterling and her work. I am forwarding her an application today -- without any obligation upon the part of the Fund to grant her a scholarship and even with the feeling that it will not be possible to finance such a project as she has in mind. I had already anticipated that it would take about five years to get anywhere on a study of this kind.

The application which I am sending will not be passed upon by my department but will be sent to a committee which has to do with the selection of outstanding Negroes for grants, and I am quite unable to anticipate what their attitude will be. I simply do not wish to take the responsibility of failing to give a study of this kind every opportunity for aid.

I expect to be in New York on Monday, October 5th, and if it is at all possible I shall attempt to see you.

Very truly yours,

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