April 15, 1966

Dear President Hannah:

There is no adequate excuse for permitting the CIA to use the intellectual auspices of Michigan State as a front for its spying activities. It is not only immoral in itself, but it effectively destroys, or at best undermines, future work of colleagues in cross-national and cross-cultural work. So great a violation of academic integrity calls for the expulsion of these men from decent academic society.

Yours sincerely,

William J. Goode
April 28, 1966

Dear Professor Goode:

In response to your letter of April 15, may I say that Michigan State University did not permit the CIA to use its auspices as a front for spying activities, as you allege.

You will find a fuller explanation of our position in the accompanying copy of a statement I made to the press on behalf of the University April 22. I hope you will find it informative.

Sincerely,

President

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