

cc: E. W. Weidner

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Dear Mr. Stassen:

This is to introduce Dr. Edward W. Weidner, Head of the Department of Political Science at Michigan State College, who is negotiating for us the proposed technical assistance contract with Vietnam and the Foreign Operations Administration.

Dr. Weidner, in cooperation with our Comptroller and legal counsel, has worked out two contracts, one with the Government of Vietnam and the other with the Foreign Operations Administration. Most of the provisions in these two contracts have been discussed at length with the staff of FOA and have been agreed to. However there are several innovations, the most important of which is the two contract idea in place of a single contract and a letter of commitment.

We feel that the present form of these contracts is essential if Michigan State College is to participate in this important program. I hope you and your staff will approve these contracts without change so that we can go ahead with the program without delay.

Sincerely,

President

The Honorable Harold Stassen, Director  
Foreign Operations Administration  
Washington 25, D. C.