

22 May 1957

Colonel H. W. Gorman  
Professor, Military Science  
1 Demonstration Hall

Dear Colonel Gorman:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Dies to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be very much impressed with the arrangements which had been made for them. The military participation was effectively carried out and added the final touch to the occasion.

This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and Lieutenant Colonel Schloss and others who worked with you. Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation for their contributions, would you kindly give me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Teggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Dorsey E. Rodney, Chairman  
Committee on Military Affairs

22 May 1957

J. D. Edwards  
Assoc. Prof. of Accounting  
208 Business Administration

Dear Professor Edwards:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Diem to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be very pleased with the smoothness with which arrangements proceeded. This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and others who worked with you.

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Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Dean Wyngarden

22 May 1957

A. F. Brandstatter, Director  
Department of Public Safety  
103 Quonset

Dear Professor Brandstatter:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Diem to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be very pleased with the smoothness with which arrangements proceeded. This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and others who worked with you.

Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

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Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Dean Wyngarden

22 May 1957

Tom King  
Dean of Students  
305 Administration Bldg.

Dear Dean King:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Dien to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be deeply moved by the solemnity and colorfulness of the convocation, which was greatly enhanced by the excellent student body turn-out. Student participation in the other arrangements was also very effective.

The success of the whole visit, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and others who worked with you. Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation for their contributions, I would appreciate it if you would give me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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22 May 1957

Paul D. Bagwell, Head  
Communication Skills  
65 A-6

Dear Dr. Bagwell:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Diem to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be very pleased with the dinner arrangements. This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and others who worked with you.

Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation for their contributions, I would appreciate it if you would give me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Dean E. A. Carlin

22 May 1957

Professor L. L. Frimodig  
Business Manager of Athletics  
212 Jenison Gymnasium

Dear Professor Frimodig:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the convocation so successful an experience. President Diem and his party appeared to be deeply moved by the solemnity and colorfulness of the occasion. I was impressed with the effectiveness with which the whole affair was carried out. This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you, Director Kimber, and others who worked with you.

Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation for their contributions, I would appreciate your giving me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-C. L. Munn, Director  
Intercollegiate Athletics  
218 Jenison Gymnasium

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22 May 1957

Dr. Harry Kimber, Director  
Division of Social Science  
302 Merrill Hall

Dear Director Kimber:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the convocation so successful an experience. President Diem and his party appeared to be deeply moved by the solemnity and colorfulness of the occasion. I was impressed with the effectiveness with which the whole affair was carried out. This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you, Professor Frimodig, and others who worked with you.

Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation for their contributions, I would appreciate it if you would give me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Dean M. E. Muelder

Pres. Dien

22 May 1957

Lt. Col. J. K. Schloss  
Assoc. Prof., Air Science  
67 Quonset

Dear Lt. Col. Schloss:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Dien to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be very much impressed with the arrangements which had been made for them. The military participation was effectively carried out and added the final touch to the occasion.

This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and Colonel Gorman and others who worked with you. Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation, would you kindly give me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Colonel G. V. Davis

Dorsey E. Rodney, Chairman  
Committee on Military Affairs



22 May 1957

James H. Denison  
Administrative Assistant in  
Charge of Public Relations  
318C Administration Building

Dear Jim:

I want to express my appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Diem to our campus so successful an experience. The President and his party appeared to be deeply moved by the solemnity and colorfulness of the convocation, and to be most appreciative for all the arrangements which had been made for them.

This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you, your staff, and other members of the committee. The public relations for this occasion were very complete and effective. Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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22 May 1957

E. W. Weidner, Head  
Political Science Department  
15 Morrill Hall

Dear Ed:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Dien to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be very pleased with the whole occasion, and particularly the reception. This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and others who worked with you. The reception was the nicest of any I have ever attended.

Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never worked with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution and the congeniality with which you made it. If there are others who helped you who should receive letters of appreciation for their contributions, I would appreciate your giving me their names.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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cc-Dean H. J. Wyngarden

22 May 1957

T. H. Hamilton, Vice President  
for Academic Affairs  
318A Administration Building

Dear Tom:

I want to express my appreciation for the major role you played in making the visit of President Dien to our campus so successful. The President and his party appeared to be deeply moved by the solemnity and colorfulness of the convocation. They also seemed to be very much impressed with all the arrangements that had been made for them.

This, I know, was due to the careful, efficient, and effective planning done by you and by others on the committee. Although I have had the pleasure of working with a number of committees in the past, I think that I have never done so with one so completely competent and cooperative as this group.

Again let me thank you for your contribution.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

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Pres. Ngo.

May 23, 1957

Mr. Roy Underwood  
Head of Music Department  
101 Music Building

Dear Mr. Underwood:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation in making the program for the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem the success that it was. I know that President Diem deeply felt the warmth of Michigan State University and enjoyed the schedule of activities we had worked out for him.

In assisting with the musical portions of the program you added substantially to the success of the event. Once again, my sincere appreciation to you for your efforts.

Yours truly,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc-Dean M E Keller

May 23, 1957

Mr. W. Lowell Treaster  
Information Services  
109 Agricultural Hall

Dear Lowell:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation in making the program for the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem the success that it was. I know that President Diem deeply felt the warmth of Michigan State University and enjoyed the schedule of activities we had worked out for him.

I am sure that publicity big events occurring at Michigan State is almost an everyday routine with your Office. However, I think on this occasion that the general handling of the information about the event was obviously much above the average and I thank you for the extra special treatment the whole event received. I was particularly pleased to find the reports in the press highly accurate and timely. The Vietnam Project, of which the University is justly proud, received some very good coverage.

Would it be possible for your Office to collect a good series of pictures taken during the various events surrounding the President's visit? If so, I would like to collect these and perhaps present a collection of them to the President during my forthcoming visit to Vietnam as well as keep a set for our future international program events.

Once again let me express my thanks for your major contribution to the success of President Diem's visit.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc - James Denison

May 23, 1957

Mr. Frank Skinner  
Information Services  
109 Agricultural Hall

Dear Mr. Skinner:

Let me express my appreciation for your contribution to the success of our program for President Ngo Dinh Diem. I know that you had a hand in the general coverage of the event and in the news releases preceding Diem's arrival. I think these were well done and you and your colleagues are to be congratulated.

Once again, thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc: W. L. Treaster

*James Denison*

May 23, 1957

Mr. Leonard Falcone  
Director of Bands, Music  
118 Music Building

Dear Mr Falcone:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation in making the program for the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem the success that it was. I know that President Diem deeply felt the warmth of Michigan State University and enjoyed the schedule of activities we had worked out for him.

Your contribution and that of your Band to the musical portions of ~~the~~ program were a major part of providing the atmosphere for a successful convocation ceremony. I have had many comments about the convocation as a whole and it would interest you to know that Ambassador Buchanan, who was a member of the official American party expressed his appreciation for the fine Band here at Michigan State.

Please extend my thanks to the Band members for their contribution.

Yours truly,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:Sjb  
cc Roy Underwood  
Dean M E Muelder

May 23, 1957

To: Robert Becker, President, All-University Student Government  
Bruce Augenstein, President, Assoc. of Off-Campus Students  
Hassan Ibrahim, President, International Club  
Roger Forbush, President, Inter-Fraternity Council  
Marilyn Mausteller, Pan Hellenic  
Louise Hornbeck, AWS Judiciary  
Patricia Pallister, AWS Activities  
Linda Malila, Inter-Residence Hall Council  
Janet Allen, Spartan Women's League  
Bruce Seeds, President, Armstrong Dorm  
Tony Viviano, President, Bailey Dorm  
Alexa Viorel, President, Bryan Dorm  
Dennis Kazma, President, Butterfield Dorm  
Roger Stouffer, President, Emmons Dorm  
John Rahenkamp, President, Rafter Dorm  
Edwin Rogers, President, East Shaw Dorm  
Robert Harvey, President, West Shaw Dorm

From: Glen L. Taggart, Dean

As leaders of the student body I am sure you share with me a good deal of satisfaction in the way in which the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem was carried through. The students were a major reason for the success of the convocation on Wednesday, May 15th. Their attendance at the convocation as well as their enthusiasm was a good reflection of the interest they had on the occasion of the visit and I am sure that their interest was in many ways a reflection of your own leadership.

This was truly an important event in the history of Michigan State University. It is an event which many of you will remember for a long time. I hope that those of you who had an opportunity to meet the President and other members of the official party will carry away lasting memories.

Let me express my sincere appreciation for your important contribution to the success of the program. Your support was a major reason for the success of the occasion.

GLT:jb

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Glen L. Taggart". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the lower right corner of the page.



May 23, 1957

Mrs. Evelyn S. Drake  
Director, Food Service  
115 Kellogg Center

Dear Mrs. Drake:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation in making the program for the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem the success that it was. I know that President Diem deeply felt the warmth of Michigan State University and enjoyed the schedule of activities we had worked out for him.

The dinner the evening of the 15th was a particularly fine occasion during the visit of the President. I want to thank you for your role in making it a success. The various members of your staff should also be congratulated for their fine work on this occasion.

Once again, my sincere appreciation for your contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc - Donald S Greenaway  
Emery G Foster

May 23, 1957

Mrs. Eileen Petermann  
110 Kellogg Center  
Campus

Dear Mrs. Petermann:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation in making the program for the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem the success that it was. I know that President Diem deeply felt the warmth of Michigan State University and enjoyed the schedule of activities we had worked out for him.

I was very pleased to find everything running so smoothly and all of our arrangements at Kellogg Center coming through as planned. Members of the official party made several comments about the attractiveness of the Center and the efficiency of its operation.

Once again, my sincere appreciation for your contribution.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc - Donald S Greenway  
Ernest G Foster

May 23, 1957

Mr. Robert J. Emerson  
Manager, Kellogg Center  
110 Kellogg Center

Dear Mr. Emerson:

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your cooperation in making the program for the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem the success that it was. I know that President Diem deeply felt the warmth of Michigan State University and enjoyed the schedule of activities we had worked out for him.

I have had many comments about the excellent handling of the various events that occurred at the Kellogg Center. In fact, Ambassador Buchanan commented at breakfast that the Kellogg Center was the finest accomodations they had encountered and that it was a fine commentary on the quality of Michigan State's Hotel Management training program.

Once again, my sincere appreciation for your contribution toward making the event a success.

Sincerely yours,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc - Donald Greenwood  
Emery G. Foster

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May 23, 1957

Mr. Melvin Reiter  
Michigan State News  
Union Building  
Campus

Dear Mr. Reiter:

Would you please express my appreciation to members of your staff for their fine cooperation on the occasion of the visit of President Ngo Dinh Diem to the Michigan State Campus? The State News was of invaluable assistance in bringing to the attention of the students the importance of the occasion.

I want to thank you personally for taking the interest which you did. I thought the picture page devoted to various shots of the President's visit as well as the front page article on the 15th was particularly well done.

My sincere appreciation for your major contribution and that of your staff.

Sincerely,

Glen L. Taggart, Dean  
International Programs

GLT:jb

cc - Wm F McIlraith