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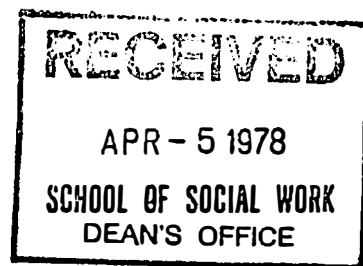
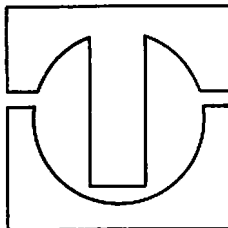
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April 3, 1978

Dr. Betty Cleckley
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Dear Betty:

The minutes of the March 8, 1978 meeting of the Commission for Blacks reflect two issues on which I agreed to obtain a response for you. The first involved data on how UT compares with other state supported institutions with regard to Black enrollment, number of Black faculty, and attrition of both. Vice Chancellor Luke Ebersole is now attempting to secure this information, and I will forward it to you as soon as possible.

The second issue involves the Search Committees of the Office of Student Affairs. About this I would like to make several points:

1. The Office of Student Affairs does, I am assured, routinely include Blacks and/or women on their Search Committees.
2. Neither these Search Committees, nor any others, however, are required as a matter of policy to include either Blacks or women: there are cases in which it may be impractical to do so.
4. The particular case to which Lisimba was apparently referring does, it turns out, have a Black on the Search Committee (in addition to a number of women).

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Jack E. Reese
Chancellor

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