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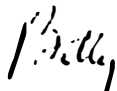
Dear Walter:

Writing on behalf of the Commission for Blacks, Dr. Luther Kindall, and Dr. Clifton Woods, who participated with me in the Board of Deans' meeting on Thursday, May 26, 1977, I would like to thank you for scheduling the "Interim Report" for consideration by the Board of Deans. Through this action you made it possible for representatives of the CFB to meet for the first time with the Deans who have major responsibility for decisions relating to policies, programs, practices, and priorities that affect us.

With regard to the meeting, Luther Kindall, Clifton Woods, and I feel that it was a worthwhile and stimulating session. The meeting afforded us an opportunity to gain further insight into the Deans' interest and concern about Affirmative Action vis-à-vis Blacks at UTK as well as an opportunity to clarify and illuminate some issues of concern to the CFB. As you indicated, this was a beginning. We do anticipate further interaction and closer working relationships with the Deans.

Further, may I take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the warm and genuine interest you have shown and continue to show in the work of the CFB. We sincerely appreciate all of the efforts you make to help Blacks at UTK to achieve equity.

Sincerely,



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