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From: Stein ROKKAN

Follow-up from ECPR Meeting, 27-28 April, 1970

1. Covering letter for application to the Ford Foundation

I suggest this text:

Gentlemen:

We, the representatives of eight scholarly institutions in France, the German Federal Republic, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, and the United Kingdom, hereby submit for your consideration a proposal for the establishment of a European Consortium for Political Research and an application for a contribution toward the cost of a five-year programme of activities under this body.

We have discussed all points in the proposal drawn up by Professors BLONDEL and ROKKAN in considerable detail, most recently at a consultative meeting at the headquarters of your Foundation, and have reached consensus on all essentials. We are convinced that a Consortium operated along the lines proposed would contribute decisively to the Europeanization of our discipline: the Summer School, the Research Workshops, and the other activities outlined in the document would not only help to enhance the level of technical expertise and methodological sophistication but would also offer opportunities

for the linking of initiatives and projects across many centres and for the establishment of effective networks of communication across historically distinct communities of scholars.

We are strongly committed to this cause and will do our utmost to marshall the intellectual and the material resources of our institutions in support of the Consortium and of the activities proposed in the five-year programme.

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Please let me have your suggestions for improvements soonest. I want to circulate a final letter for signature by late May.

2. Tentative arrangements for an "orientation session" at Munich:

Following up our discussion in New York, I propose that we proceed as follows:

- a. we agree on a basic list of invitees: maximum 40 to 50.
- b. we agree on a simple one-page statement about the ECPR for these invitees;
- c. we distribute the invitation plus the statement on the first day at Munich if and only if we have a clear signal from the Ford Foundation.

I received several suggestions toward a basic list during our meeting but there are still many lacunae. Please check the list below and let me have your reactions and addenda during June.

These are names I jotted down:

Austria

Peter GERLICH, IHS, Vienna

Belgium

H. BUCHEMAN, Louvain

A. PHILIPPART, IPSA

Denmark

Mogens PEDERSEN, Aarhus

Erik RASMUSSEN, Aarhus

Finland

Pertti PESONEN, Helsinki (currently Tampere)

France

Alain LANCELOT, Paris

German Federal Republic

Max KAASE, Mannheim

Ireland

Basil CHUBB, Dublin

Italy

N. BOBBIO, Torino

A. PIZZORNO, Naples (later Torino?)

G. SARTORI, Florence

A. SPREAFICO, Rome

Netherlands

Hans DAUDT, University of Amsterdam

Andries HOOGERWERF, Nijmegen

G. KUYPERS, Free University, Amsterdam

Norway

H. VALEN, Oslo

Sweden

Nils STJERNQUIST, Lund

Switzerland

R. RUFFIEUX, Fribourg and Lausanne

D. SIDJANSKI, Geneva

United Kingdom

Peter CAMPBELL, Reading

J. CORNFORD, Edinburgh

S.E. FINER, Manchester

Bruce GRAHAM, Sussex

W. HARRISON, Warwick

Christopher HUGHES, Leicester

W.J.M. MACKENZIE, Glasgow

L.W. MARTIN, Kings College, London (Chairman, SSRC Committee)

G. MOODIE, York (Chairman, PSA)

P. REYNOLDS, Lancaster

L. SCHAPIRO, London School of Economics

Please react quickly and let me have your additions, deletions, and comments. I can be reached at Yale until 25 May. Thereafter at the Center for Advanced Study, 202 Juniper Serra Boulevard, Stanford, California 94305, until 1 August. Then back to Bergen.

Yours,



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