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July 26, 1973

Dr. R. Cathcart Smith
903 Bell Street
Conway, South Carolina 29526

Dear Cathcart:

Having been involved very closely in the medical issue as both a member of the Smith Committee and the Committee on Health Affairs of the Commission on Higher Education, it is with sincere regret that I will be unable to attend the meeting on August 2. I feel the decision reached at that meeting will be very significant and have far reaching effects.

I realize the Committee does not allow proxy votes, but, however, wanted you to express to the members my strong conviction in the rightness of the Health Education Affairs Committee's report. The report meets the issue headon. It is based on the findings of the Smith Committee which explored all possible avenues to the problem. I feel strongly that it is not appropriate to take only those parts of the Smith Committee report with which an individual might agree. It needs to be studied in its entirety. By the same token, I feel the report by Fred Sheheen's Committee needs to be taken in its entirety and distributed to all interested parties.

Best wishes for a most productive meeting.

Sincerely,

/s/ Hugh

Hugh M. Chapman

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cc: Mr. James R. Michael