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**From:** James R. Reckner, Ph.D., Director

**Subject:** Commencement Ceremonies

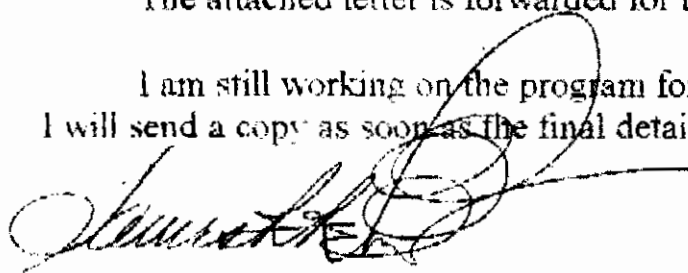
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Dear Priscilla:

The attached letter is forwarded for the Admiral's information.

I am still working on the program for Admiral & Mrs. Zumwalt's visit.  
I will send a copy as soon as the final details are worked out.

  
James R. Reckner

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April 30, 1997

Mr. Vin Prothro  
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Dear Mr. Prothro:

Admiral Zumwalt has indicated to me that you and your wife may be visiting Lubbock to attend the commencement ceremonies on May 10, 1997, at which the Admiral will receive a Doctorate of Humane Letters.

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of the university, to invite you to take part in the events we have arranged for Admiral Zumwalt? As the principal organizer of such things, I would request that you advise me of your planned arrival time, if you are flying, so that we might meet you at the airport and convey you to your hotel.

Further, if you haven't already made hotel reservations, I urge immediate action. Hotel accommodations in Lubbock fill completely on graduation weekends.

In essence, the program as it currently stands is that Admiral & Mrs. Zumwalt will reach Lubbock at 3:53 p.m. on [REDACTED] President of the University, Dr. [REDACTED] to which you and Mrs. Prothro are cordially invited.

[REDACTED] of a newly [REDACTED] building. In the evening he and Mouza (as well as you and your wife) are invited to attend an informal [REDACTED] and the Board of Regents. After the dinner, the Chancellor and Regents will depart for a Texas Tech baseball game. ~~Admiral & Mrs. Zumwalt~~ and we hope you and Mrs. Prothro will attend an informal reception at the home of the Vietnam Center Advisory Board's Vice President, ~~Dr. Blair Price~~, who is President of the Price Communications Group, Inc., the largest advertising agency in West Texas.

On Saturday morning, you and your wife are invited to attend the commencement ceremonies at which Admiral Zumwalt will receive his degree. Upon completion of the ceremonies, you are invited to attend a luncheon with the university's leadership. If you plan to stay on until Sunday, you and your wife are invited to attend a dinner on Saturday night at Chez Suzette Restaurant in Lubbock with Admiral & Mrs. Zumwalt and members of the Vietnam Center Advisory Board.

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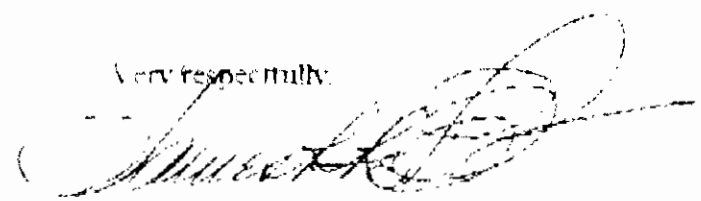
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Mr. Vin Prothro

We at the Vietnam Center look forward to meeting you and your wife. Please don't hesitate to contact me if there is any sort of assistance I can render. Also, feel free to contact me at my home telephone number: While I have formal office hours for students on Wednesday mornings, most of the rest of my time is spent outside of the office.

I will provide a detailed program of events for your information as soon as the final details are completed here. In the meantime, we would particularly like to know your arrival and departure times, so that correct arrangements can be made for certain social events

Very respectfully,



James K. Beckner, Ph.D.  
Director