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Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
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Dear Admiral:

At the end of fiscal year 1996, I am pleased to report that we have secured \$99,000 of microfilm collections and other materials for the archive during the year. A listing of the principal collections is enclosed. After so many years of barely making money to keep the organization afloat, it is a delight to make such a positive contribution.

King Foundation. On Friday, 6 September, the Office of Development submitted a draft proposal to Mr. Carl Yeckel of the Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation in Dallas for an additional grant of \$50,832 for further microfilm collections. Mr. Yeckel is very supportive of the request, having been briefed about the value of our Vietnam project by Mr. B.G. "Jug" Burkett, who attended the symposium this year. We have now been directed to submit a formal proposal, which, I feel reasonably confident, will in due course be approved. I enclose a listing of the materials we have requested in this grant.

Olin Foundation. Our Office of Development staff will visit the Olin Foundation next week. In preparation for that visit I have submitted a draft proposal for \$58,000 to sponsor a Vietnamese academic to spend one year teaching at Texas Tech and conducting research at our archive. In the request, I tied this move to our other efforts, in which you have had the lead, to establish some interaction between the Vietnamese and the Vietnam project at Texas Tech. I have no feeling about the probable response to this request.

Texas Tech Organizational Developments. We are in a remarkably strong position as a result of recent developments. Phil Price, one of the driving forces on our local advisory board, handled Senator John Montford's first political campaign and has been his close friend for over 25 years. He has already shared a dinner with him and interim president Dr. Donald R. Haragan (who soon will be named president) at which he highlighted the Vietnam project and its importance to Texas Tech. Further, it was announced last week that Montford has appointed as deputy chancellor a man who identifies himself as an Army veteran of Vietnam service. I have already sent him a lengthy background briefing on the Vietnam project. Mayor Langston apparently is currently the strongest candidate for Montford's vacant Senate seat. Phil Price is handling his campaign.

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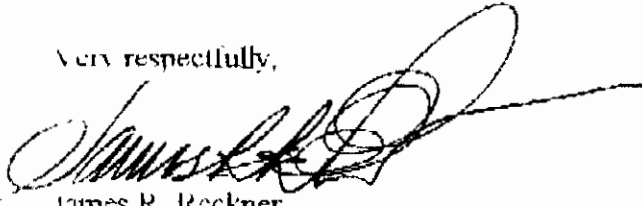
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Perot Proposal. Mr. Jim Garrett, vice president of Methodist Hospital of Lubbock and a member of our advisory board, has contacted the Perot organization within the last week or two and has been assured that our proposal for \$5,000,000 is still under active consideration, though no decisions will be made while Mr. Perot is distracted with political activities. The appointment of Senator Montford as chancellor is likely to have strengthened our position with Mr. Perot.

With these positive developments, I begin this teaching semester very optimistic that the Center and Archive's development will continue along very encouraging lines in the months ahead.

Very respectfully,



James R. Reckner

Director

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King Foundation request

Archive of the Vietnam Conflict Texas Tech University

Microfilm Acquisitions Fiscal Year 1996

The following microfilm sets were purchased with a grant from the Carl B. and Florence B. King Foundation:

Confidential U.S. State Department Central Files. Indochina: Internal Affairs, 1945-1949. UPA. 10 reels with guide.	\$1,126
Confidential U.S. State Department Central Files. Indochina. Internal Affairs, 1950-1954. UPA. 44 reels with guide.	\$4,977
Confidential U.S. State Department Central Files. Indochina. Internal and Foreign Affairs, 1955-1959. UPA. 52 reels with guide.	\$6,112
John M. Echols Collection, Cornell University. 6,352 fiche	\$27,000
Records of the U.S. Marine Corps in the Vietnam War. 3 parts UPA. 18 reels	\$8,155

The following microfilm were purchased with combined funds of the Center for the Study of the Vietnam Conflict and the Archive of the Vietnam Conflict:

CHECO Reports. Air Force Historical Research Center. 59 reels	\$1,298
CIA Research Reports: Vietnam and Southeast Asia, 1946-1976 UPA. 7 reels	\$580
<i>Chinh Luan</i> [newspaper], 1964-1975. UNII bonus purchase. 33 reels	No charge
The Johnson Administration and Pacification in Vietnam: The Robert Komer - William Leonhart Files, 1966-1968. UPA. 15 reels with printed guide	\$1,518
The Lyndon B. Johnson National Security Files, 1965-1969. Vietnam. First Supplement. UPA. 18 reels with printed guide	\$1,822
North Vietnam News Service, 1965-1978, 1980. UNII. 30 reels	No charge
Records of the Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. Part 3. Progress Reports on Pacification in South Vietnam. UPA. 12 reels with guide	\$1,394

Fiscal Year 1996 Acquisitions

Transcripts and Files of the Paris Peace Talks on Vietnam, 1968-1973. UPA 12 reels with printed guide.	\$1,385
U.S. Army Build-up and Activities in South Vietnam, 1965-1972. UPA. 29 reels.	\$2,798
Vietnam Documents and Research Notes Series: Translation and Analysis of Significant Viet Cong/North Vietnamese Documents. UPA. 6 reels with printed guide	\$562
<i>Vietnam Press</i> [Saigon] 1958-1971. UMI. 94 reels	\$8,446
The War in Vietnam: Papers of William C. Westmoreland: Part 1 - History, Statements, and Clippings File. UPA. 25 reels with printed guide.	\$2,532

Other Acquisitions, Fiscal Year 1996

The Burch Collection. Extensive documentation of the National Vietnam Veterans Coalition and issues of interest to Vietnam veterans.	
CIA Papers. 15,000 pages of CIA reports related to Vietnam provided by Congressman Larry Combest, May, 1996.	
Books. Books purchased by the Archive of the Vietnam Conflict	\$9,000
Dissertations. 165 dissertations purchased @ \$43.50 each	\$7,177
Maps. One complete set of 588 AMS 1:50,000 maps of Vietnam printed between 1965 and 1975	\$6,400
Videos	\$1,000

Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation

The following microfilm research materials have been requested from the Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation for fiscal year 1997:

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| 1. | Vietnam Era POW/MIA Documentation Collection on Microfilm.
This collection contains files from the Defense Department, State Department, and Central Intelligence Agency on issues related to POW/MIAs.
Library of Congress | \$20,650 |
| 2. | Vietnam: A Documentary Collection. Records of the Westmoreland v. CBS Case. New York: Clearwater Publishing Co. | \$4,710 |
| 3. | Bangkok World, 1957-1987. This English-language newspaper reported in great detail, from a Southeast Asian perspective, events in Vietnam throughout the war | \$15,500 |
| 4. | Lao Presse, Bulletin Quotidien 1952-1969 (Vientiane). This French-language paper offers a rare insight into events in Laos in a language easily used by American researchers. | \$3,200 |
| 5. | The White House and Executive Departments. Part 1. The John F. Kennedy Oral History Collection
(This and the next three collections will afford researchers access to the oral histories of principal participants of the Kennedy and Johnson administrations.) | \$1,210 |
| 6. | The Congress, the Judiciary, Public Figures and Private Individuals. Part 2. The John F. Kennedy Presidential Oral History Collection | \$1,525 |
| 7. | The White House and Executive Departments. Part 1. Oral Histories of the Johnson Administration | \$1,825 |
| 8. | The Congress, the Judiciary, Public Figures and Private Individuals. Part 2. The Oral Histories of the Johnson Administration. | \$2,115 |
| | Total | \$50,835 |