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MEMORANDUM

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To: Dr. Jane Winer, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. E. Dale Cluff, Director of Libraries
Dr. Allan J. Kuethe, Chairman, History Department
Dr. Idris R. Traylor, Director of International Affairs

From: James R. Reckner 

Subj: Report of Army War College Visit

On July 14th and 15th we engaged in an intense "marketing" effort, selling the many benefits of Texas Tech University to a party from the Army War College. I am pleased to report that that party, Dr. Earl H. Tilford, Jr., Director of Research for the College's Strategic Studies Institute, and Major Carl Griffin, Deputy for the College's Strategic Outreach Program, left Lubbock with a very positive attitude toward Texas Tech. Before he departed, Dr. Tilford said he was convinced that Texas Tech was the university with which the Army War College should cooperate, and expressed the hope that he could convince the Army to cooperate with us to the fullest extent. From this latter comment, I interpreted him to mean, including sending active duty Army officers to Texas Tech for graduate studies, principally masters and doctoral work in military history.

Our visitors were much impressed with the warmth with which they were received at every level in the university, and the willingness to embark on innovative programs as illustrated by the university's support for the Vietnam program, and other international programs.

I would like, particularly, to call to your favorable attention the very active participation in this visit of a number of faculty members and staff. Dr. Idris R. Traylor and Dr. David Murrah provided briefings on the new International Cultural Center and Southwest Collection/Special Collections buildings, respectively; Dr. Traylor also offered an excellent social event for the visitors. Major General Dudley Faver participated in roundtable planning meetings and social functions and hosted a luncheon for the visitors. Dr. Don Walker also participated in roundtable planning meetings and participated in all functions. Mr. Bruce Cammack and Mr. R. Blake Dunnavent prepared a special display of materials from the Vietnam Archive and provided space for a planning meeting for the proposed 1995 Vietnam roundtable. It was precisely this spirit of cooperation and willingness to "go the extra mile" for our visitors that much impressed them.

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