

New York, August 22, 1959

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Program Director  
Viet Nam Project-MSU  
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Elsie:

I agree with you about your plan for me. Please, 1) send <sup>28</sup> to me these tickets: air ticket, New York-Buffalo-Lansing-Chicago-New York; bus ticket, Buffalo-Niagara Falls and return, Buffalo-Salamanca-Quaker Bridge and return, 2) reserve for me a room in the campus from Sept. 4 to 19. Thank you very much.

On Friday, August 21, the CU Registrar told me that he didn't receive yet the final report from my professor of statistics; so I cannot notify you now.

I am very glad to see you soon.

*✓*  
B - L 9/4  
L - Ch 9/19  
Ch - NY 9/21  
I expect to leave NY Aug. 28

Sincerely yours,

*John O'Neil*

*John O'Neil*

August 26, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
Columbia University  
International House  
500 Riverside Drive  
New York 27, New York

Dear Toan:

I have made reservations for you at Emmons Hall from September 4th to 19th. College Travel has been requested to send the necessary tickets for your travel to East Lansing.

We are looking forward to having you on campus.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Program Director

EMC:mm

P.S. Please find enclosed your per diem check for the period from September 1st through the 15th.

New York, August 27, 1959

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Program Director  
Viet Nam Project-MSU  
East Lansing, Mich.

Dear Elsie:

The seminar on economic development is very valuable, the long trip very interesting. I was preparing for them when I received the new instructions from my professor of statistics concerning the October 12 certifying examination: an extra work is due. I think it is in my best interest to devote myself to the preparation of it during the whole September. So I request the Project to permit me not to attend the seminar, the date of which doesn't suit much to my new program of work. The Project's choice of it is very rational, indeed: I am only a special case. Please excuse me. I'll return the 2 tickets to you, in a separate envelop. Aug. 26.

To-morrow, Aug. 28, I'll go to Buffalo and spend some days in the summer camp; I hope to be reimbursed for the transportation costs involved. Do you find this trip justified? I am sure that there will be other occasions for me to go to East Lansing for educational purpose, and I ask no more the Project to allow me to have a stop at Buffalo.

Sincerely,



Enc:  
"Inst" letter from my professor  
(received on August 26). Please  
send it back to me.

✓ returned  
with a/b/59 letter

September 2, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
Columbia University  
International House  
500 Riverside Drive  
New York 27, New York

Dear Toan:

I do not understand your decision to go to Buffalo to attend the summer camp. This is particularly distressing to me as you seem to feel that it was not inappropriate for you to go this student meeting, but impossible for you to attend the economic seminar.

The seminar has been worked out with two specific aims in mind. One is to provide an opportunity for us to meet with the participants during their stay on campus, and second is the exchange of knowledge which we hope would take place.

I shall leave the final decision up to you, as you are the person best able to judge your needs.

In addition, I am a little confused that you found it necessary to return the ticket and at the same time expect that we will reimburse your trip to the summer camp. We had specific instructions from ICA regarding attendance of participants at this camp, and only if it was to be viewed as part of your total trip to East Lansing could we pay the transportation expenses.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EMC:nm

September 11, 1959

Mr. Gao Toan  
International House  
500 Riverside Dr.  
New York 27, N.Y.

Dear Toan:

Please find enclosed your per diem cheque for the period from September 16 through September 30.

I am sending you again the tickets in case you decide to come for the seminar.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EC:kc

Encl.; Tickets  
Cheque

New York, Sept. 11, 1959

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Program Director  
Viet Nam Project-MSU  
East Lansing, Mich.

Dear Elsie:

Please find enclosed my record relating to my summer work.

I am very sorry that I cannot attend the seminar. The reason, as you know it, is the absolute necessity to make an intensive review of statistics during the second half of this month. And soon there will be the registration to do: it takes time too. Excuse me, once more. I hope to meet the Project Officers sometime later this year, e.g. this Christmas.

I have spent 2 days in the summer camp; the place is beautiful. I suppose that you have been once in Allegany State Park.

Thank you very much for your post-card.

Sincerely yours,



New York, Sept. 12, 1959

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Program Director  
Viet Nam Project-MSU  
East Lansing, Mich.

Dear Elsie:

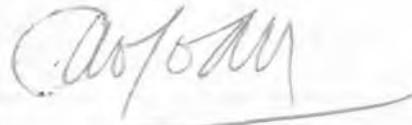
I have changed my residence. The new place is somewhat bigger, more convenient. Please drop in, when you come to New York.

May I suggest that you write again to the Bursar and the bookstore manager of Col. U., so as to facilitate my registration and my book purchases. Thank you very much.

I would like to have copies of the papers and records of discussions relating to the seminar. Give me some, please.

The course listings in the Col. U. 1959-60 catalog, Dept. of Eco., are recently altered, the modifications being summarily announced by the Chairman. I see that my plan is not very affected.

Sincerely yours,



Cao Toan  
601 West 110th street  
#8K1  
New York 25, New York

September 15, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
601 West 110th Street  
#8K1  
New York 25, New York

Dear Toan:

In view of the fact that you and Nguyen Duy Xuan both had to cancel out of the economics seminar, it has been postponed. If possible, please indicate whether the 15th, 16th and 17th of December would be agreeable to you.

I hope that you are happy in your new apartment and of course will be pleased to visit you when I have the opportunity to come to New York.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EMC:nm

September 16, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
601 West 110th Street  
Apt. 8K1  
New York 25, New York

Dear Toan:

Please find enclosed copies of the letters I have sent authorizing our payment for tuition fees and also for books at the university bookstore.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EMC:nm

September 17, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
601 West 110th Street  
Apt. 8K1  
New York 25, New York

Dear Toan:

I inquired at ICA about the rumor that returned to campus with the returning participants concerning the elimination of the area differentials in the per diem rates. Although this has not yet been made official, they felt that probably beginning November 1st, all participants will receive \$8 a day when on resident-status, no matter what city is involved. The \$12 a day travel rate would still be in effect.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EMC:nm

September 25, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
601 West 110th Street  
#8K1  
New York 25, New York

Dear Toan:

Please find enclosed your per diem check for the period from October 1st through the 15th. Also enclosed is a participant memorandum.

I would appreciate knowing the results of your statistics exam and also what courses you are taking during the fall semester.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EMC:nm

New York, Sept. 25, 1959

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Program Director  
Viet Nam Project-MSU  
East Lansing, Mich.

Dear Elsie:

I have registered for 5 courses. They are:

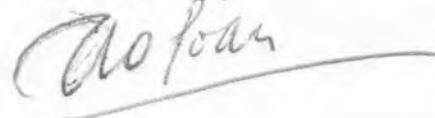
- 1- Eco. 205. Mathematical Economics
- 2- Eco. 121. Monetary Economics
- 3- Eco. 125. Business Fluctuations
- 4- Eco. 237. International monetary policy
- 5- Eco. 331. Seminar in international economic problems

I have bought some books which are being used as texts related to the above courses. Please reimburse me for these expenses, if you find them justified.

The schedule for the seminar is very rational. I am happy to have the opportunity to meet the Project Officers before the Christmas holidays. In a former letter, you let me know that you sent again the ticket to me, but I never received it. I suppose that it is not yet actually mailed. This time I don't want to have a stopover at Buffalo any more for the simple reason that I have visited this place, during a very short time indeed.

I'll see you soon.

Sincerely,



Enc:  
2 receipts

September 30, 1959

Mr. Cao Toan  
601 West 110th Street  
#8K1  
New York 25, New York

Dear Toan:

I am surprised that you did not utilize the charge arrangements at the university bookstore for your books. I am returning herewith the receipts for the necessary approval.

Since you did not mention it, I presume that you successfully passed the statistics exam.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Participant Director

EMC:nm