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Mrs. Elisabeth Mann Borgese
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Dear Mrs. Borgese:

As a subscriber to the publications of the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, I have had the opportunity to read your comments in the December 1978/January 1979 copy of World Issues.

The total interview was very interesting and a specific segment struck a practical and timely chord in harmony with the plans that my colleagues and I are now pursuing.

Our challenge, as has been yours, is to establish an institute that will link ideas, resources, and new developments with those individuals, institutions, and legislative mechanisms that directly influence the immediate and future events in the field. The field for our tasks is the education of health sciences' professionals.

We are now at the stage of documenting the concepts, framework, organization, and specific programmes of activity for the institute. The initiative for such a development and its continuation will likely be here at McMaster University, based on the unique educational offerings in health sciences; however, we feel that the institute should be a multi-sited, internationally extended organization, similar in this way, to the A. K. Rice Institute.

The invaluable experience of developing an institute, as you have now had, has prompted me to write this request to you in the hope that you would be willing to share some of the specific steps, ideas, techniques and opinions with us here in the Faculty of Health Sciences.

If there is some prospect of sharing your thoughts and experiences about the development of the International Ocean Institute with us, I would welcome your suggestions on how this might be arranged at your convenience.

I look forward to your views.

Sincerely,

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Administrator: Organizational Development

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