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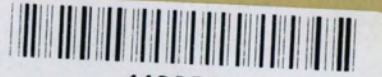
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President of the University

May 23, 1979

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. McNamara
The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433

Dear Margaret and Bob,

It was a delight to have you here, and we are so pleased by your willingness to accept the Pick Award. That was a wonderful speech and a memorable one. Both we and our guests enjoyed the evening thoroughly.

I hope you will accept my apologies, offered both personally and on behalf of the University, for any discourtesies or awkwardness to which you may have been subjected. You are both great, and Charles and I are privileged to become acquainted with you.

With gratitude, and with every best wish,

Cordially,

Hanna

Hanna Holborn Gray

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President of the University

May 22, 1979

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. McNamara

Dear Mr. and Mrs. McNamara,

I have asked the driver to bring you directly to the President's House, and I hope Charles and I can persuade you to spend the evening with us.

Jim Stein is aware of your tight schedule and he concurs with our own feeling that such an arrangement would be much easier for you.

In any event, Charles and I would be delighted and honored to have you stay with us. We can arrange for you to have breakfast with Jim in the morning. But we would enjoy sharing that time with you.

Most of all, we want you to be comfortable and to be our guests.

Cordially,

Hanna H. Gray
Hanna Holborn Gray

TO:

Jack Maddux

FROM: D. J. R. BRUCKNER

For Your Information

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ALBERT PICK, JR.



Albert Pick, Jr. was born in Chicago on July 2, 1895 and died there on December 11, 1977. He was a graduate of the University of Chicago High School (1913) and received his Ph.B. degree from the University in 1917. He served in the Army of the United States during World War I. Afterwards he entered business with his father, in the hotel equipment firm of Albert Pick & Co., and then in the management of the Albert Pick Hotels, a firm which grew into an international organization under his management. Throughout his life he was active in the affairs of his communities--in Chicago, in Highland Park, in many business and cultural associations. From 1959 until his death he was a Trustee, and then a Life Trustee, of the University of Chicago. He served on many of the University's boards and committees, contributing most notably to the affairs of International House of which he was a governor for many years. His interest in international understanding was a passion of his life. He was one of the original members of President Eisenhower's "People to People" program. His contributions made possible the construction of three academic buildings: Pick Hall for International Studies at the University of Chicago, Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, and the Albert Pick Hall for Advanced International Studies at the University of Miami campus in Coral Gables, Florida. He was for many years a member of the board of directors of the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations. At the dedication of the Albert Pick Hall for International Studies at the University of Chicago in 1971, he said:

"Wars serve no purpose. Conquest is no solution. Fairness must be the answer to all problems. We must be able to talk things over as enlightened human beings."

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Board of Trustees
February 9, 1978
Vice President for Academic Resources

THE ALBERT PICK, JR. AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING

As a result of discussions between officials of The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund and The University of Chicago, the Directors of The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund voted January 18, 1978, to approve a grant to the University for the establishment of The Albert Pick, Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding. The award is to be administered by The University of Chicago, but with costs being covered by The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund.

The understandings with respect to the award are as follows:

(1) The individual to receive the award would be selected by a Committee appointed by the President of the University on the recommendation of the Director of the Center for International Studies and the Provost. The Committee would be made up mainly, but not exclusively, of faculty members of the University in the field of international studies.

(2) The individual to receive the award would be one who has contributed significantly to international understanding. He might be a government official, scholar, journalist, religious leader, writer, concerned citizen, or moulder of public opinion. His contribution might be made by dramatic leadership or example, by writing that illuminates a particular international problem, or by negotiation in the settlement of an especially dangerous, intractable, or complex international or national problem.

(3) The award would be symbolized by an appropriate medal and would consist of a cash prize of \$25,000.

(4) The award would be presented at a dinner, probably held in Hutchinson Commons on the campus of the University, with participation by prominent citizens and members of the faculty of The University of Chicago.

Payments for the cost of the cash award, medal, and presentation dinner would be made as needed by The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund to The University of Chicago. It is anticipated that the award might be made annually.

It is recommended that the Board authorize the establishment of The Albert Pick, Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding, to be continued as long as satisfactory to both the University and The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund.

CHAUNCY D. HARRIS

January 19, 1978

Mrs. Corinne F. Pick, President
Mr. Alan J. Altheimer, Vice President
The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund
532 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60605

Dear Corinne and Alan:

First of all I wish to thank the Directors of The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund for approval yesterday of the Albert Pick, Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding, with a cash award of \$25,000, a medal of suitable design, and a civic dinner on the occasion of the presentation of the Award.

As Director of the Center for International Studies I shall proceed with the consideration of persons for the selection committee to be recommended to the President of The University of Chicago for appointment. The committee is expected to be made up mainly, but not exclusively, of faculty members of The University of Chicago in the field of international studies.

I envisage that any individual who has contributed significantly to international understanding may be considered, whether he is a government official, legislator, scholar, journalist, religious leader, writer, concerned citizen, or a moulder of public opinion. His contribution might be made by dramatic leadership or example, by writing that illuminates a particular international problem, or by negotiation in the settlement of an especially dangerous, intractable, or complex international or national problem. Nominations may be sought from informed persons but the decision of the committee would be final and might be a person widely nominated or one suggested within the committee itself. Since some international issues are highly volatile recognition would be given primarily to a completed contribution not to an interim or potential contribution.

Once the selection has been made and the person has agreed to accept the Award a date will be chosen for a civic dinner, probably to be held in Hutchinson Commons on the Campus of The University of Chicago with the participation of prominent citizens of Chicago, civic and cultural leaders, representatives of the media, and members of the faculty of The University of Chicago.

I shall keep you informed of the progress of appointment of the committee and of its deliberations. I look forward to an exciting consideration of who has contributed most significantly to international understanding in this year.

Yours sincerely,

bcc: Mrs. Nadine Van Sant
The Albert Pick, Jr. Fund

Chauncy D. Harris

bcc: D. Gale Johnson

TO:

Jack Maddux

FROM: D. J. R. BRUCKNER

For Your Information

given a copy to
JEM for his
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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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President of the University

May 14, 1979



To Members of the University Senate:

The Albert Pick, Jr. Award will be presented to Robert McNamara at a dinner on May 22. The announcement of this event, and with it of the award itself, has created controversy and given rise to a series of concerns within the University over the purposes and procedures appropriate to the establishment of awards and to the nomination of their recipients in cases other than the awarding of honorary degrees.

At their meetings of May 8, the Committee of the Council and the Council of the University Senate discussed the matters at issue. The Council approved the Committee's recommendation that there be created an advisory faculty committee to consider the whole range of University medals and prizes, the policies and criteria that should govern their establishment and definition and the procedures that should apply to their award. The charge and composition of this advisory committee are to be decided in consultation with the Committee of the Council, and it will be asked to report in the autumn of 1979.

The Council received a description of major awards other than honorary degrees which are currently offered by the University. These include the Rosenberger Medal (established in 1917) and the William Benton Medal for Distinguished Public Service (established in 1968) whose recipients may be chosen on the basis of their achievements in public life and government service, as well as in the arts or in business or other areas. Both are awarded by the Board of Trustees on the recommendation of a joint Trustee-Faculty Committee. The University of Chicago Medal (established in 1976) is awarded by the Board on recommendation of a Trustees' committee in recognition of distinguished service to the University other than scholarly achievement. There are a number of other honors, awards and medals which are bestowed by particular areas of the University, ranging from the Alumni Association to individual schools and departments.

To Members of the University Senate
May 14, 1979
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It may be useful to describe the background of the Pick Award. Albert Pick, Jr. was a graduate of the University, a Trustee and Life Trustee who died in December 1977. He was especially interested and active in the issues of world peace and international understanding. In January 1978 the Albert Pick, Jr. Fund established the Albert Pick, Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding and suggested that this award be administered by The University of Chicago. The Board of Trustees accepted in February 1978, with the stipulation that the selection process be vested in a committee composed primarily of University faculty to be appointed by the President of the University. The Pick Fund committed itself to underwriting by grant the funding for the prize, medal, and presentation dinner.

The Board docket of February 9, 1978, reads as follows:

"The individual to receive the award would be selected by a Committee appointed by the President of the University on the recommendation of the Director of the Center for International Studies and the Provost. The Committee would be made up mainly, but not exclusively, of faculty members of the University in the field of international studies.

"The individual to receive the award would be one who has contributed significantly to international understanding. He might be a government official, scholar, journalist, religious leader, writer, concerned citizen, or moulder of public opinion. His contribution might be made by dramatic leadership or example, by writing that illuminates a particular international problem, or by negotiation in the settlement of an especially dangerous, intractable, or complex international or national problem."

The presentation of awards for public service, and those who receive them, will often be in some way controversial. But no corporate political endorsement is implied on the part of the University. The questions before us, and which will be before the advisory faculty committee, have to do with whether that distinction can be adequately articulated and maintained, whether such awards can be defined in conformity with the traditions and practices of the University, and whether policies for the establishment of awards and procedures for selecting and approving their recipients can be adequately and clearly developed and applied for the future.

The Committee on this year's Pick Award fulfilled its task in accordance with the procedures that had been outlined in February 1978. It is a matter

To Members of the University Senate
May 14, 1979
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of great regret that the establishment of the Award was not publicly announced at that time and that the Committee and its mandate were not then announced at the time of its appointment in the following month. These were, quite simply, oversights, and these omissions were unfortunate.

The debate which has arisen provides us with an occasion for undertaking a thoughtful review and discussion of the serious and important issues which concern awards and their criteria in the context of the University and its role.

Hanna H. Gray

Hanna Holborn Gray

5-1-79

RMW asked me
this a.m. to arrange
for the Univ. of Chicago
to make the check
out to the ~~Rot~~ Foundation,
rather than to him
personally (as he is
going to donate the money
to a development-oriented
charity). I called
Jonathan Kleinbard
this noon, & he said
unless I heard from
him, they would ~~to~~ do
this.



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Vice-President for Public Affairs



April 16, 1979

Mr. John L. Maddux
The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W., E-832
Washington, D.C. 20433

Dear Jack:

Here are some materials prepared for the Pick Medal award.

1. A release. It refers to two biographies. I will attach to it the biographical sketch of Mr. Pick marked "Text A" in this assemblage--which was actually prepared for a dinner program. I would propose to send out also the C. V. of Mr. McNamara which you sent me.

2. A rough mockup of the dinner program and the texts to be printed in it.

Will you read the McNamara sketch and call me soon with any changes? I have to get this material to the printer next Monday.

In fact, it might be a good idea if you called me when you've had a chance to look at this material even if you haven't any changes. Sometimes just the sound of a sympathetic voice makes me think better when I am trying to organize something like this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. J. R. Bruckner".

D. J. R. Bruckner

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THE WORLD BANK
Washington, D.C. 20433
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Office of the President



February 1, 1979

Dear President Gray:

You were most kind to invite Mrs. McNamara and me to spend the evening of May 22 at the President's House. Unhappily, we have already promised friends to stay with them that evening. I hope we may have an opportunity to meet you and your husband at dinner.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Robert S. McNamara'.

Robert S. McNamara

President Hanna Holborn Gray
The University of Chicago
5801 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60637



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President of the University

January 22, 1979

The Honorable Robert S. McNamara
President
The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433



Dear Mr. McNamara:

Thank you for your note of January 9.
We will move ahead with May 22.

My husband and I hope very much that
Mrs. McNamara and you will plan to spend the
evening of May 22 with us at the President's
House.

In the interim, we will remain in
contact with Mr. Maddux.

Sincerely,

Hanna H. Gray
Hanna Holborn Gray

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January 22, 1979

President of the University



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Washington, D.C. 20433

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house.

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contact with Mr. Maddox.

Sincerely,

Hanna H. Gray
Hanna Holborn Gray

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Dear Mrs. Pick:

Thank you for your warm and gracious letter.

I am honored and delighted to have been selected for the initial Albert Pick, Jr. Award, and Mrs. McNamara and I look forward keenly to the pleasure of meeting you at the ceremony.

It was very kind of you to write.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Mrs. Corinne F. Pick
106 Vine Avenue
Highland Park, Illinois 60035

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January 11, 1979

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Dear President Gray:

Thank you for your cordial letter suggesting the evenings of May 21, 22, or 23 for the reception, dinner, and presentation of the Albert J. Pick, Jr. Award.

If it is convenient for the University, may I recommend that we settle on the evening of Tuesday, May 22? Mrs. McNamara would like to attend the event, and she will be free to do so on that date.

As I have to make a number of trips abroad in the interim, may I suggest that my associate, Mr. John L. Maddux [(202) 477-2449] be in touch with whomever you wish to designate at the University regarding further details of the arrangements.

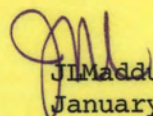
I look forward to the evening with warm anticipation.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Hanna Holborn Gray
President
The University of Chicago
5801 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60637


JLMaddux:mwm
January 9, 1979

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Please send reply
L.P.

CORINNE F. PICK
106 VINE AVENUE
HIGHLAND PARK, ILLINOIS
60035

January 2, 1979

The Honorable Robert S. McNamara
President
The World Bank
Washington, D.C. 20433



Dear Mr McNamara,

The good news of your acceptance of the first Albert Pick Jr award for Outstanding Contribution to International Understanding has just reached me. This award was established as a memorial to my late husband Albert Pick, Jr.

I am gratified and touched by your gracious gesture to donate your prize money of \$25,000 to some appropriate development-oriented charity.

I look forward to meeting you at the reception and dinner in May when you will receive this award.

Best wishes for the new year

Sincerely
Corinne Pick



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President of the University

December 28, 1978



The Honorable Robert S. McNamara
President
The World Bank
Washington, D.C. 20433

Dear Mr. McNamara:

Thanks so much for your prompt response of December 19.

All of us are deeply gratified that you will accept the award. I would like to suggest the evenings of May 21, 22 or 23, whichever is more convenient for you. We would arrange a reception and dinner on campus during which the presentation would take place.

I truly believe the individual to receive the first Albert Pick Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding will set the standard for future recipients. We are honored by your acceptance and will be delighted by your presence here in May.

Sincerely,

Hanna H. Gray
Hanna Holborn Gray

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December 28, 1978

President of the University



The Honorable Robert S. McNamara
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The World Bank
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Sincerely,

Hanna H. Gray
Hanna Holborn Gray

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December 19, 1978



Dear President Gray:

Thank you for your warm letter and its gracious notification that I have been selected to receive the first Albert Pick, Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding.

I am grateful and honored, and very pleased to accept.

My wish is to donate the \$25,000 cash prize to an appropriate development-oriented charity, which I will select prior to the ceremony.

As to a specific date, I believe any evening between May 17 and May 24 would be convenient for me -- would it be for the University?

Please convey my gratitude to the Director of the Center of International Studies, to the Provost, and to the members of the Faculty Committee for the kindness they and the University have bestowed on me in this nomination, and tell them that I look forward keenly to meeting them in May.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Robert S. McNamara

Robert S. McNamara

Dr. Hanna Holborn Gray
President
The University of Chicago
5801 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60637
JMaddux/RSMcNamara:bmm
Dec. 19, 1978

cc: Mr. Clark

Office of the President



To Mr. Clark ✓

William, I presume I should accept the award (with the \$5,000 going to a development oriented "charity"). However before I send a letter of acceptance, could you learn the names of the Director of the Center + the Provost + the "terms" (i.e. stated purpose) of the award.

Rosen

cc Mr. Maddux

Jack, please draft a "warm acceptance" -- ask them to specify a date + state I believe anything between 3/17 + 3/24 would be convenient for me ✓

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President of the University

December 13, 1978

The Honorable Robert S. McNamara
2412 Tracy Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008



Dear Mr. McNamara:

I take great pleasure in notifying you that a Committee of the Faculty of The University of Chicago has recommended that you receive the first Albert Pick, Jr. Award for Outstanding Contributions to International Understanding.

The award, made possible by a grant from the Albert Pick, Jr. Fund to The University of Chicago in 1978, is to be presented to an individual selected by a Committee appointed by the President of the University on the recommendation of the Director of the Center of International Studies and the Provost. The Fund specified that the award should be presented to an individual who has contributed significantly to international understanding. It is our hope to make the award annually.

The award includes a medal designed by the sculptor Virginio Ferrari and a cash prize of \$25,000. We would want to present the award at a dinner given by the University in May at a time mutually convenient for you and for us. On that occasion, we would value the opportunity to hear something from you about your work with the World Bank in improving human welfare.

Obviously, I am delighted and express the pride felt by my colleagues in writing you about the award. All of us deeply appreciate the leadership you have provided in your endeavors.

We would like to keep in confidence the award until near the date of the dinner and presentation.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Hanna H. Gray
Hanna Holborn Gray