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Dear Mr. Lincoln:

Thank you for responding so quickly to my recent letter. I do appreciate the distinction you make between what has been the primary focus of the Henry George School and that of the Lincoln Foundation (through the Institute programs). I am, however, both hopeful and optimistic that the opportunities for us to work together will increase over time.

Much has changed at the School in recent years, although attachment to the socio-political philosophy and economic analysis developed by Henry George guides us in the development of our curriculum. Adult education remains as the core activity pursued by the School, and the absence of admission requirements (and accreditation) does result in a program that leaves academic rigor up to the individual student. For a variety of reasons, however, the School is attracting many students who are already college graduates and who hold graduate degrees. Interestingly, foreign nationals working at the United Nations have responded in sizable numbers to our promotional efforts. Distinguished speakers, such as Lowell Harriss and William Vickrey have also established the School as making an important contribution to the public dialogue on the issues of our time.

With our base in classroom and seminar activity firmly established, the School is, in my view, positioned to reach a broad, natural constituency of thoughtful citizens. The Social Science Forum will, we believe, draw to the attention of policy makers as well as to individuals who actively attempt to influence public policy positions not readily appreciated or effectively articulated. In order to do so, the Social Science Forum is engaged in the development of various means to influence policy makers. One project is the editing and publishing of Steven Cord's research in a manner and discipline that is acceptable to professional economists. We have employed the advice, guidance and personnel recommended by Professor Nic Tideman. We intend to publish this material in the very near future. I am enclosing a copy with this letter and welcome any comments you or other members of the Foundation would care to offer.