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Dear Chief Kolender:

In a letter dated October 25, 1978, Ralph Stern requested that the actual reports submitted by monitors to the Task Force be made available for review by Plaintiffs and the School District upon request. Plaintiffs agree that it would be helpful for both parties to have access, periodically, to the information provided by the monitors. We do have one reservation: we believe that the names of parents, students and staff who have provided information to the monitors should be kept confidential so that information may be freely given, without fear of reprisal. Fear of adverse consequences, whether that fear is justified or not, could substantially inhibit the free flow of information to monitors.

We do appreciate the School District's concern about the possibility that keeping sources confidential may encourage unjustified accusations which would be difficult to counter. For this reason, we will be glad to cooperate in any way with you and with the School District to try to work out a satisfactory arrangement.

Sincerely yours,

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