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Dear Mr. Johnson:

I have assumed a full-time job and will no longer be available to participate in the integration task force. I have enjoyed my duties as a Task Force Monitor and in my brief observation of the program at Valencia Park, feel that the goals are being met admirably well.

Unfortunately, I cannot say the same for the Task Force itself. The effort has been marked by delays and disorganization interfering with the actual operation of the program. From my limited vantage point it would appear that a number of people who committed themselves to serve as members of the Integration Task Force were not prepared fully for the time and effort that the job entailed. As a professional with some knowledge of social policy and planning, it is my firm belief that a professional coordinator was needed at an early phase of the program. I am pleased that monies have been made available for an executive secretary. However, I would have liked to have seen a person skilled in program analysis or evaluation involved at an earlier stage, in a full-time professional rather than voluntary and/or consultative capacity. Perhaps materials would have flowed more smoothly and monitors would have felt less "at loose ends."

Enclosed please find my reports, such as they are. Lt. Weathersby was given all the information necessary to complete the statistical data on the school site. I trust that he did submit these reports as I have been unsuccessful in reaching him. The teachers, principal, Mr. Tellous, and all the ancillary personel at Valencia Park Magnet have been more than cooperative. I have been pleased to be a small part of this effort to voluntarily integrate the San Diego School system.

Sincerely yours,

Elinor Meld-Weissman

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cc: Police Chief William Kolender
Thomas L. Goodman, Superintendent of Schools
Rev. George W. Smith, President, S. D. Schools

P.S. May I ask why a member of the Integration Task Force lives in Del Mar? Do his children attend public school in San Diego?