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Dr. Stacy May  
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Dear Dr. May:

Mr. Brownlow called me a few days ago and asked me if I would provide you with a statement relative to the recent report made by the Acting Comptroller General on certain schools and training courses conducted by various government departments and agencies.

I asked Mr. Stephens, our Coordinator and Director of Training, to provide me with a memorandum. I am inclosing a copy of this memorandum.

The references to the National Institute of Public Affairs and also to the American University were obviously dropped down in the middle of the report without very much rhyme or reason. There has been no newspaper comment on the reference to either the National Institute or the University.

Frankly, the report was so poorly written and full of so many inaccuracies that it has not been taken seriously here in Washington. I do not think that there will be any further developments. At one time Senator Van Nuys talked about having an investigation made based on the report. I haven't seen any reference to such an investigation for the past ten days or two weeks, and undoubtedly, as a result of recent developments, he will not press the matter.

If I can provide you with any additional information regarding the matter, please feel free to write me. I will also be very glad to keep you in touch with any developments.

Very sincerely and cordially yours,

*Arthur S. Fleming*  
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