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Dear Mr. Macadam:

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As I promised you on October 26 when we discussed the matter, I have presented to my colleagues for discussion your proposal that The Rockefeller Foundation consider the possibility of assistance to Dr. and Mrs. Arnold Toynbee in the sum of approximately \$5,000 per year for a five-year period beginning in September 1954.

We have given this tentative proposal careful attention here. Our guiding principle in the discussion has been that Dr. and Mrs. Toynbee should have every opportunity of making their maximum contribution in the writing of history during the remainder of their active careers. The ambitious program which they have in mind we recognized as an extraordinary one, but one which their past record of successful accomplishment gives reasonable promise of their fulfilling.

Despite these considerations, however, and careful discussion here, we have come to the conclusion that we see no likelihood of being able to present to our Trustees further recommendations for assistance to Dr. and Mrs. Toynbee. Accordingly, I have been asked to write and let you have this word, since we know that you wanted an answer as soon as we had had an opportunity to consider this proposal, so that you could explore other possibilities for them.

The Rockefeller Foundation is proud of its association with the Toynbees and their accomplishments, and we hope that you will be able to find the necessary means to enable them to continue their fine work.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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