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The Rockefeller Foundation
International House
Nairobi.

Attention: Katherine Namuddu

Dear Madam,

Re: HIV/AIDS EDUCATION FOR SCHOOLS

The Department of Human Anatomy of the University of Nairobi has been teaching a formal 35-hour HIV/AIDS education course to first year students of Medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and nursing. The attached booklet is the standard text which is issued to each of the students. In addition, each student receives over 30, 4-5 page handouts during the academic year. The cost of production of the material is met by the Department.

One of the encouraging outcomes of the programme is that the students have taken it up with a lot of enthusiasm. Some of them have initiated some work in the rural areas where they go during the vacation. For example in one case, a female medical student visited a mixed secondary school in Kericho and during a two-hour session, she was asked 33 questions. She answered 30 of them and telephoned the Department for the answers to the other 3 which she could not answer. The Department provided her with the answers which she took to the school.

The answers to the 33 questions are being written up so that they can be distributed as a booklet.

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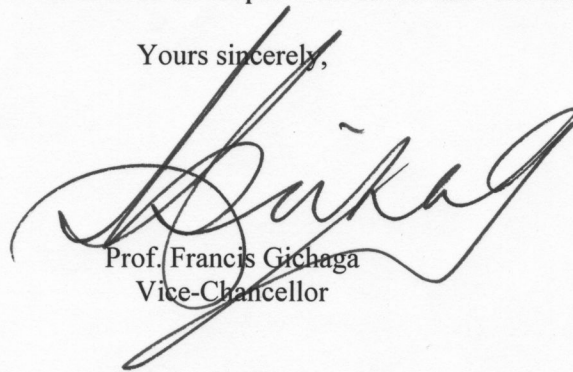
These experiences have convinced us that the University can be of assistance to schools. The University would therefore like to work, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, in sending some of the learning materials which the Department of Human Anatomy is developing, to all the Primary and Secondary schools.

In this connection, and on behalf of the University, I have the pleasure to submit a request for funds for the publication and distribution of 25,000 copies of a modified booklet. This will give a booklet to each school (18,000 primary and 3,000 secondary) and the district education officers and other Ministry of Education officers.

If this first stage is found to be useful, we will then apply for assistance to produce 180,000 copies so that each classroom can have a copy, thereafter we will work out ways and means of reaching the out of school youth.

I believe that you are already in touch with the Department of Human Anatomy for details.

Yours sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Francis Gichaga', is written over the typed name and title.

Prof. Francis Gichaga
Vice-Chancellor