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June 23rd, 1921.

Dear Miss Davis:- *file*

I have delayed replying to your letter of June 17th because I desired, as I told you, to get the benefit of Dr. Simon Flexner's opinion in the matter of the employment of Mr. Zinn for the purposes outlined by you.

After some correspondence with the Doctor, it was arranged that he should see Mr. Zinn. I have this morning received a letter from Dr. Flexner, in which he says:

"I have just had a very satisfactory talk with Mr. Zinn. I believe I understand now what it is the purpose to undertake and as he outlined the plan, I should think it well worth attempting. In any case, the scientific group could be brought together for a conference and then action based on the way the project appeared to them and along such lines of study as they thought feasible."

In view of this expression of opinion from Dr. Flexner I have just telegraphed you as follows:

"I authorize the employment of Mr. Zinn as recommended in your letter of June 7th. Am writing."

Your request was for funds to enable the Bureau of Social Hygiene, as I understand it

1. To employ the services of Earl F. Zinn for one year for the purpose of promoting a plan to secure scientific research on the subject of sex, under the auspices of the National Research Council.
2. To provide traveling expenses for Mr. Zinn in conferring with scientists in different parts of the country.
3. To finance the calling of a special committee appointed by the National Research Council to outline a program for such research and to present it to some one or more of the large foundations.

On behalf of the Bureau of Social Hygiene I authorize the engagement of Mr. Zinn for such part of a year as may be necessary in order to enable him to carry out the above plan on the budget set forth in your letter as follows:

PROPOSED BUDGET

Salary of Earl F. Zinn for one year	\$4,000	
Traveling expenses in interviewing scientific men (Or as much thereof as may be necessary)	2,000	
Expenses of calling one or more con- ference in New York City of a special committee to be appointed by the National Research Council to map out a systematic program of research and to determine what portion of the problem outlined it is desirable to attack first.	<u>4,000</u>	\$10,000
(Or as much thereof as may be necessary)		

It is of course understood that only such portion of the total authorized budget of \$10,000 as may be actually required for the work will be drawn.

Hoping that Mr. Zinn may be able to carry out the program outlined, I am

Very truly,

Miss Katharine B. Davis  
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