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Mr. Fred M. Dawson Director North East Development Council 25 Blue Ball Yard St. James's Street London, S. W. 1, England

Dear Mr. Dawson:

The office of the Embassy of Great Britain called to advise my office of your interest in our programs for April 22 on the crisis of the environment. I am very pleased to know of your interest and am enclosing some materials which will give you detailed information on our plans.

Last September, I first suggested a National Teach-In on the Crisis of the Environment. A national office was established, with a student staff, in December. I am serving as co-chairman of the effort, but plans are actually being formulated and carried out from the student office undertthe name of Environmental Teach-In, Inc., Room 200, 2000 P Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. I will ask that office to send you the materials they wave available.

The response we have received has been truly overwhelming. We anticipate now that over 1000 campuses will have activities on April 22. In addition, many high schools and community groups, conservation groups and environmentalists are involved in planning programs.

We have received a number of inquiries from other countries, particularly from Canada, regarding our plans. I understand that some efforts are underway in Canada to coordinate local teach-ins with our efforts. Last month I visited with U Thant in New York to discuss international efforts. My interest in dealing with environmental problems extends back to my youth and has been a consistent part of my role as a state legislator, governor and Senator. I



should be very happy to know further of your involvement in this effort and to provide you with any other information you might wish concerning the teach-ins.

Sincerely yours,

GAYLORD NELSON U. S. Senator

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