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Dear Mr Vetter,

As you know, SCOR recently decided to leave to IOC the co-ordination aspects of the Indian Ocean Expedition. At the recent session of IOC there was much discussion of the Expedition, especially concerning the cruises already completed and those planned for the next three years.

Mr Snider had with him the excellent charts prepared by the U.S. Hydrographic Office and was able to show clearly the extent of coverage obtained and the large amount of work which will shortly take place. There was general agreement that, in view of the extensive nature of the Expedition, a remarkable effort was in progress and that this effort was especially praiseworthy in view of the great range of contributions coming from laboratories in so many countries.

Beyond any doubt special praise is due to Mr Snider for the varied nature and extent of these contributions. His whole-hearted enthusiasm for the project has captured the interest of many different groups and has brought into being a tremendous effort. In view of the fact that Mr Snider's services have been made available through the good offices of your committee and of the National Science Foundation in particular, SCOR would like you to accept its appreciation and to convey its thanks to Dr Lyman of NSF for this great help.

Yours sincerely,

George Humphrey

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