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Dear Dr. Swaminathan:

I would like to thank you for your effort and excellent input into organizing the symposium on "National Programs and Policies in Genetics" for the XVI International Congress of Genetics in Toronto. We had close to 4,000 scientists from 75 countries and the caliber and breadth of science was voluntarily acclaimed as excellent by many with whom I and other organizers have spoken. I know that you can take great pride in the contributions you have made to this great success. That success depended upon many, like yourself, contributing of their talents.

I understand that roughly 1/3 of the symposia speakers brought their manuscripts to the Congress and the Editor of Genome will publish the Symposia as they are completed. The first issue of the volume will be reviewed and likely sent to press in October for appearance in January. I am very anxious to see some of those excellent manuscripts and no doubt you are too. If you know of any speakers in your Symposium that will not provide a manuscript, it would be helpful to let the Editor, Dr. Moens, know so that publication of the rest of the Symposium will not be held up. Any effort you can make to facilitate the early submission of additional manuscripts would be appreciated.

Again, on behalf of the Congress Executive, our thanks for a job well done!

Sincerely yours,

Ken J. Kasha
Program Chairman

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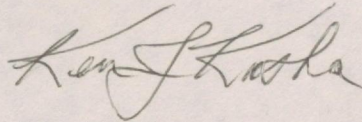
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Fund raising has indeed been difficult but we are working very hard at it. We just heard that we will get \$150,000 from CIDA to be used as bursaries to help scientists from developing countries. We meet in Ottawa next week to see how we can reduce the rest of our budget expenses by \$200,000.

However, the program is shaping up to be excellent and very full. It can't help but be one of the great congresses.

I look forward to seeing you again in Toronto and wish to express our appreciation for all your work on putting together the Symposium.

Sincerely yours,



Ken J. Kasha
Program Chairman

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P.S. John Evans just phoned and he said he didn't think he was appropriate for this talk. He said he had written to you quite a long time ago - well over 2 months ago -- that he was declining this invitation. Obviously it is another problem of mail getting lost. I know that Dave Walden has had correspondence with someone from Washington who wanted to speak at the Congress about new programs and it sounded like he would fit into your Symposium very well. I don't have the name and Dr. Walden's secretary can't find it. Thus, I'll ask Dave when I see him next week and let you know about him. If you agree, then that would fill in nicely.

I also wrote to you about a Co-Chairperson I assume that you will want to and should give the brief introduction to the Symposium. Perhaps John Evans might help out as a Co-Chairperson? I never thought of that until now. I also have a letter from Dr. R.S. Rana from Karnal who offered to speak in this Symposium but might be a Co-Chairperson?

Well, this has been a rather long P.S.

With best regards.

