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To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. David Mullaney worked as an intern with me during the fall of 1986. He was part of a team of interns selected by the Organization of American States to participate in the work of the Office of Coordination for the Quincentennial of the Discovery of America and in the development of some of the many projects recommended by the OAS member states for the 1992 celebration.

David was assigned the organization and the development of a new project which will involve an inventory of all the zoological gardens in Latin America and the Caribbean, the publication of the results of that inventory by the National Zoological Park in Washington and the promotion of exchanges between zoos in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean which would hopefully be the result. David enthusiastically took to drafting a comprehensive zoological questionnaire, conducting research at the Library of Congress and the National Zoo. In preparation for the inventory, David had to identify and gather as much material as possible concerning the zoos in the OAS member countries, through research and direct correspondence. He is at present incorporating modifications suggested by the research staff of the National Zoo, and we look forward next year to conducting this survey. David, with the same avid interest he displayed throughout his stay at the OAS has volunteered to regularly drop by next semester to oversee and organize the results of this inventory.

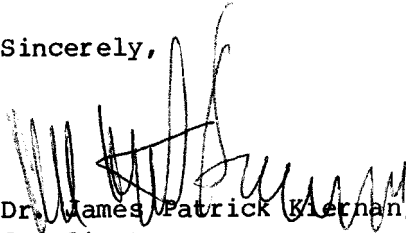
During his stay here David was also involved in a variety of other tasks. He completed the organization and registry of the close to 600 entries for the Inter-American Quincentennial Logo Contest of the OAS. Work initiated by former interns concerning the history of the national archives of the OAS member states, which will be used as a background document at an international Quincentennial Conference of Archivists in Seville, Spain in 1992, was furthered by David, who organized and standardized the responses from archives to the questionnaire we sent out last summer. David drafted short notices for the OAS Quincentennial newsletter; he drafted correspondence in both Spanish and English; he did his share of the office's administrative and secretarial tasks.

David is an open and friendly person with an infectious, good humor. He is also bright, resourceful and quick to learn. He has good communication skills; he writes well, works well with a minimum of direction and is conscientious about getting the job done.

Before leaving for Perú to spend his junior year, David contacted me about his internship. From time to time I would receive a post card marking the passage through his year abroad and registering his anticipation of this internship. I often wondered if his intern experience would live up to his expectations. However, if his stay here was as pleasant and productive for him as it was for us, his expectations were realized.

David works hard, performs competently and makes an effort to make the most of the situation in which he finds himself. I predict a successful professional career for David, which in whatever field, is bound to involve a sincere concern for individuals and their condition. It was a pleasure having him here as an intern. I wish him well.

Sincerely,



Dr. James Patrick Kieran,  
Coordinator,  
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