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September 27, 1985

Senator Claiborne Pell, RI
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 21510

Dear Senator Pell:

On October 2 the Senate will hold hearings on the nomination of EDWARD CURRAN as chair of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Please note that this nomination has been a cause of great concern among the members of the academia. The rather embarrassing lack of qualifications for this position evident in the professional carrier of the nominee raises grave doubts about the intention of the current administration with regard to the future of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

I very strongly urge you to oppose this appointment with the hope of finding another candidate who could represent the interests of NEH in a spirit corresponding to the high goals of this institution.

Sincerely,

Dr. Halina Stephan
Associate Professor of Slavic