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November 17, 1973

Honorable Cyrus R. Vance
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Secretary Vance:

I understand that my fellow Rhode Islander, John Hoare Kerr, Director of Education at the National Endowment for the Arts, has submitted his resume and application to UNESCO (Paris). I also understand that the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, Livingston Biddle, has warmly recommended him for a position with UNESCO.

I have known John Kerr's fine work for some years and do wish to join my recommendation to that of Livingston Biddle. Mr. Kerr's enclosed resume will show he has an excellent background in the cultural and educational area.

I know, too, that he would be most receptive to another overseas assignment with the U.S. Foreign Service, even beyond UNESCO should the opportunity arise. He enjoyed his days in India very much.

Any consideration you can offer in the matter will be appreciated.

Best wishes.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell

Enclosure

RJ:CF