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Dear Chris,

Thank you for your concern for Peace Corps recruitment. The substantial manpower cuts and personnel changes are to become effective November 14, 1981. Since we talked last week, ACTION headquarters "Technical Services" division has analyzed the cuts will have a very negative effect on Recruitment's ability to deliver Peace Corps trainees in FY 82. Specifically, in FY 81, Recruitment delivered 100% of the 2800 Peace Corps trainees requested. The projected fill-rate for FY 82, based also on 2800 trainees, is as follows:

> 1981 - 82 Fall and Winter --- 71% fill-rate 1982 Spring and Summer ---- 60% fill-rate

The problem is particularly acute in the Northeast Region. Projections show that due to manpower cuts and personnel changes the NE Region will produce in FY 82 only 39% as many Peace Corps trainees as it did in FY 81.

Chris, I hope the above recruitment terminology is decipherable; I have tried to keep it to a minimum. It has been several years since I have been formally involved in Peace Corps Recruitment, but as I explained on the phone, I believe strongly in the PC and I do think the manpower cuts and personnel changes to be a matter of great concern.

Again thank you, and I hope we shall have the chance to meet in the near future. In the meantime please don't hesitate to call if I can be of any further assistance.

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