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Emory University Student Government Association

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President Atwood

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Dear Dr. Atwood:

Thank you for the article you sent about racism. While I disagree with most of it, it was interesting reading.

At the meeting on Monday night we had a rather disappointing progress report. The report by Mr. Outler revealed that he envisions a far different committee to deal with workers problems than I. The nature of this committee and its membership must be determined fairly by all those concerned if it is to be effective. Mr. Cousins reported that he would have to refer the request for a black studies resource room to the library policy committee of the University Senate. This is unnecessary, time consuming and it completely misses the point in light of all we have done and said. Let me also add that the SGA educational program will need this room for all students and faculty beginning this fall. Therefore, the room is essential not only as a supplement to a black studies program but also as a reinforcement for all our efforts in this area. Please request Mr. Cousins to make his recommendation without submitting it to the library policy committee of the University Senate.

I hope that it is just the summer months that gives me a sense of pessimism. Apparently there are some who feel that the directions we are taking are not justified and others who feel inclined to drag their feet. These attitudes, of course, are not consistent with what is right or with what most members of the Emory Community want to see done. The SGA is working diligently to find ways to improve inter-relations with all Emory students. But all our efforts will be worthless unless this Institution can continue in the spirit of our May statements.

Is it possible for you to see me sometime Friday morning? Thank you.

Yours truly,

Charles Haynes, President
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