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Dr. José A. Balseiro
c/o Commonwealth Department of State
Box 3271
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Dear Dr. Balseiro:

This Association has received a request from Professor Marshall R. Nason for information pertaining to "the ideal organization of the North American State University." Professor Nason speculates upon the possibility that this Association has "formulated some statement as to what it considers the optimum structure for such institutions." As you know, many books and articles have been published on the organization and structure of institutions of higher education, but it would be difficult to present a bibliography of suitable studies without some knowledge of the kind of institution which is being established. Apparently the North American State University is in the process of organization, but this Association has received no information concerning this project. If you will write us more fully about the new university and about the kinds of information which would be useful to you, we shall endeavor to present a list of studies which may be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

(sgd.) William P. Fidler

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P.S. If the request for information concerns the existing organization of state universities in the United States, please let me know and I shall attempt to compile a list of recent studies on this subject.