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Dear Friend:

I was one of those asked to lecture on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the Columbia Graduate School. I chose as my subject the somewhat lugubrious subject "The University and the State". The "turnout" in Low Library that evening suggested that word of this had got around. And so I inflict on those who have no choice but to open their mail!

As you will see, I am quite disturbed. Since September 30 A. Bartlett Giamatti has spoken in even stronger terms. (I refer to them in a footnote added since.) But what will be done?

There is a touch of professional hubris in my observations. I do honestly think that had university leaders paid a little more attention to the political scientist writing on this subject in the late 1960's and early 1970's we would not be so badly off.

Sincerely,

Daniel Patrick Moynihan