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Dear Dr. Peterson:

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As promised in Dr. Lederberg's letter to you concerning this year's Fairfield Osborn Memorial Lecture, I am enclosing some of the material we are gathering on Mr. Osborn. I am sorry and surprised to say that there is precious little printed about Mr. Osborn, and the early/informal records of the Zoological Society do not include his biography. This package contains copies of the three books Osborn authored during his lifetime and an article about him by Laurance Rockefeller. The Conservation Foundation is providing some biographical data which will be in your hands shortly.

My colleague, Mr. Richard Dana and I will be supervising all the arrangements for the Osborn Lecture on November 12. Since a number of determinations must be made now in order to ensure early distribution of invitations, I am contacting your office to ask if we can meet with you for about 30 minutes to review several important details, including: program schedule for the evening, title of your presentation, review of invitation copy, possibility of press briefing and transcript publication. At that time, we can also discuss any special guests you would like invited to the dinner which will precede the lecture.

I'm looking forward to meeting you and to working toward a successful Fairfield Osborn Lecture. In the months ahead, please call on me (360-1036) at any time I can be of help.

Sincerely,

Barry W. Dress
Assistant Director
of Development

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Dictated by Mr. Dress; signed in his absence

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