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My dear Carlos:

I wish that this letter finds you and your family very well. As you already know, I have been appointed the Secretary of Education of the city of São Paulo, Brazil, for the period 1989-1993. Since I am currently designing the new educational policy for the city, I would like to count on your advice and technical help. Would you be able to obtain consent and support from your University to spend a term working with us every year between April and June or September and December for the full period of my mandate?

If you agree with this invitation I would like that you collaborate as my personal adviser and conduct on-site staff seminars on teachers training and educational reform in comparative perspective. Occasionally your duties will include to conduct short-term research on the educational needs of the municipality or on the very many issues which may arise in the process of educational reform.

We will be able to cover partially your living expenses while in São Paulo but, unfortunately, due to hard currency restrictions, the municipality is unable to pay for your

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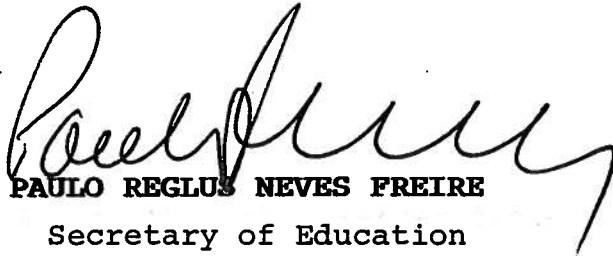


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return airfare. I also hope that you will be able to secure finan_
cial support in Canada that will cover your airfare.

I will be very pleased if you are able to accept this invitation and join us in our dream of changing the municipal educational systems towards a new emancipatory education.

Cordially yours,



PAULO REGLUS NEVES FREIRE
Secretary of Education

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