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Dr. F. Wayne King, Director
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Re: Transfer of the Herbarium

Dear Wayne:

As you know, IFAS has agreed to the transfer of the Plant Herbarium to the Florida State Museum even though the Herbarium cannot physically be moved until new space is available to the Museum. The statement in your December 12, 1980 draft memorandum indicating that "the Florida State Museum guarantees to provide, in any new building, space for both the plant collections and associated equipment and library, and for offices and laboratory space for the curators and plant identification and career service staff" is acceptable. Further, I have discussed this matter with Dean Sidman and Vice President Bryan and they both have supported the guarantee.

In recent conversations, Dr. Woods has requested that the career service lines in the Herbarium be permanently transferred from IFAS to the Museum. It is my understanding that there would be a problem with such a transfer even if IFAS was agreeable to making such a move. As I indicated to Dr. Woods during our last conversation, IFAS is committed to the continued support of the Herbarium within the context of its new home and plans to maintain the current complement of career service positions in the Herbarium indefinitely. In fact, it is not only our intent to support the Herbarium at the current level, but with accomplishment of the transfer, we fully intend to meet with the Herbarium and Museum staff on an annual basis, at least, to discuss the Herbarium program and additional support needs. Said another way, IFAS has had a strong commitment over a long period of time to the Herbarium and that commitment will not change with the transfer of the Herbarium to the Museum.

The other conditions covered in the agreement including the lines of accountability from the Museum to IFAS are acceptable to us. Further, Dean Woeste concurs with the above and we hereby give final approval for the transfer as outlined in the draft memorandum.

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Please let me know if we can be of additional assistance; we look forward to receipt of a final copy of the transfer document.

Sincerely,



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