


March 12, 2008

To: The "Funding Considerations" Team


Dear Respectful Team Members:

I would like to express strong support for the International Institute to Study Climate Change in the Islamic World (IISCCIW) project, initiated by Moji Agha, who has also founded another innovative initiative since he has been a Visiting Scholar in Africana Studies at the University of Arizona, namely the Project on Culture and Conflict.

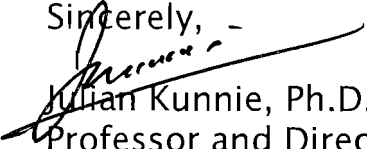
At our department's faculty meeting of February 25, 2008 and subsequent consultations, our faculty agreed that the IISCCIW undertaking is important given the very serious implications of global warming around the world, particularly in Africa and Asia. Our faculty was unanimous that we as academics have an earnest responsibility in addressing the grave consequences of global warming and becoming part of the solution. It is with this assumption that our faculty endorsed the IISCCIW project.

Support from the  for projects such as the IISCCIW, which is concerned with safeguarding the environment and the preservation of life, would not only be a wise investment in trying to protect our common mother Earth, but also build authentic global peace, dialogue, and inter-religious understanding and cooperation.

I hope that you will fund this very critical philanthropic community project so that all communities in the world, particularly those impoverished and destitute, can benefit from a world where global warming's deleterious effects are fundamentally reversed.

Thank you.

Sincerely, -


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