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Dear Mrs. Moyle,

Thank you for your letter of 21st November, which came at a very appropriate time. At this stage I cannot of course commit either the Institute or the A.N.U. but - within that qualification - I see a good prospect of helping you.

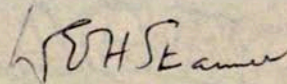
I would suggest that you write promptly to me, as Executive Officer of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies, in the following terms:-

1. applying for a grant (a) to take a year's special training at Sydney in anthropology and linguistics
 - (b) subsequently to carry out a defined piece of research (topic, theoretical importance, places, period, approximate costs etc.)
2. asking whether it will be possible for the research, if carried out for the Institute, to count towards a Ph.D of the A.N.U. in Anthropology (Ethno-Musicology).
3. enclosing
 - (a) a curriculum vitae with special reference to research and publications
 - (b) the names of three referees to whom the matter may be referred.
4. mentioning the publication you have discussed with Cheshire's and asking if the Institute will help with the publication.

What I have in mind, if the application is suitable, is to ask the Interim Council of the Institute to make you an early grant (by

March 1962) for special training followed by field-work, and to use your case to develop the Institute's policy towards (a) a possible granting of higher degrees from the A.N.U. for work done through the Institute, and (b) publications. I think there is a very good chance of getting a research grant for you, including a grant for at least a year's training, and for the publication of your work. I cannot of course anticipate the University's views or decisions about the matter of the degrees. In all probability that may take a year or more to determine; (there are many procedural and some legislative difficulties to sort out); but I do not think a delay on that score would necessarily disadvantage you in the long run. If your special training went well, and your research prospered, there may be a way of back-dating your eligibility for a higher degree through the A.N.U. if no way is found of working for the degree through the Institute. Please do not regard this statement as either a promise or a commitment, for I am in no position to make either, although I am anxious to help in every way possible.

Yours sincerely,



W.E.H. Stanner