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Dear Michael,

I reported on our conversation concerning the Plexiglas case in the campus entrance to Battell Chapel to the Site Committee for the Freedom Trail. Everyone was very pleased, indeed, that Yale would be an integral part of the "Trail", exhibiting permanently copies of documents held in the archives concerning the Amistad Revolt. It should also include a short statement describing the role faculty and students played in that historic campaign and that the exact site of the old Divinity School was Duffie Hall.

Judith Schiff indicated she would select and copy the documents.

The Committee raised a question as to whether a dignified Freedom Trail plaque, which we would furnish, would be acceptable. It could be placed on the entrance to the campus or wherever it was thought suitable. The Freedom Trail brochure will contain a picture and brief description.

We are hoping that everything will be ready for a Spring event initiating the Trail. May we request the name of the person whom the Connecticut Historic Commission could reach? Would you please copy Mr. Jack Shanahan, Director, Connecticut Historic Commission, 59 South Prospect Street, Hartford, CT 06106, Telephone Number 860 566-3005; Fax 860 566-5078.

May I thank you very much for helping us address the imperative need to correct the long-standing neglect of the contributions African-Americans have made to our country's history.

cc: Reverend F.G. Streets
Judith Schiff
Jack Shanahan

Yours in Peace,

Alfred L. Marder
President