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Gavin Walkley, Esq.
President
Australian Planning Institute
210 Melbourne Street
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Dear Gavin:

I have long felt that we should send you some typical examples of the work we do in comprehensive urban research, planning and design. At long last, we are now sending you under separate cover, three of our 1965 Reports, two of which concern a 3000 acre New Town near Perth, and the other, a small job we did for the Tweed (NSW) Shire Council. We would like you to be aware of this work, for we have toiled hard and long evolving our own standards of professionalism.

You should also this week receive your copy of the October, 1965, issue of APIJ. You will note that I held back this issue so as to include a full editorial report on the SSRC-API Meeting in Canberra on the proposed Institute of Urban Studies.

Henry Wardlaw and Ray Archer have mentioned to me that you intended to invite me to attend the next meeting of the SSRC-API group in Melbourne. Under normal circumstances, I would have simply waited to hear from you, but I am leaving Australia this coming Friday, November 26th, for a 3 months study tour of the Philippines, India, Iran and Greece. I return on Sunday, February 13th.

The concept of an Institute of Urban Studies has been close to my heart ever since I returned to Australia in 1950, and so I would be delighted to help next year in its formation and launching.

If you do still intend to ask me to serve on any Committee, I would hope that you would accept my nomination of Mr. R. T. M. Whipple, A.C.I.V., Dip TCP, as my deputy over the next 11 weeks.

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Tom Whipple is highly experienced and mature as an urban research specialist. He is the Urban Research Associate of Clarke, Gazzard and Partners and the Research Director of Urbsearch, our subsidiary group. He has carried out major central area studies of the Melbourne and Sydney CBDs, and is now completing a thesis for a Master's degree in Town Planning at Sydney University. He should be a corporate member of the API before the middle of next year.

Tom would be a valuable person to serve on an AIUS Committee in his own right. In any case, he could act for me until my return.

If you wish to contact me during the next 11 weeks, you can reach me as follows:

(a) Between December 10 and January 2:

care Jacqueline Tyrwhitt
Athens Centre of Ekistics
24 Strat Syndesmou
Athens 136, Greece

(b) Between February 2 and February 12:

care W. G. Faithfull
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Post Office Box 1864
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At other times, I will be travelling through Hong Kong, Delhi, Bangkok, Karachi, Teheran, Istanbul, Tel Aviv, Bierut and Damascus.

With congratulations on the success of your first Presidential Year, and best wishes for your second, I remain

Yours sincerely,



George Clarke

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