February 20, 1986 David A. Sprecher, Provost College of Letters and Science Cheadle Hall 2217 U.C.S.B. Dear Dr. Sprecher: The purpose of this letter is to request the continuation at this University of classes teaching the Serbo-Croatian language. We are students of Dr. Sonja Djekić, who is presently teaching Serbo-Croatian Language and Literature at U.C.S.B. under the Fullbright Scholarship Program. It is our understanding that she has not been granted funding for teaching next year and we are wondering if another source of remuneration could be made available to Dr. Djekić, who is an outstanding teacher. The study of Eastern Europe has become a significant section within the History Department at U.C.S.B. and it would be greatly advantageous to students if, in addition to Russian, Serbo-Croatian could be offered. It would also greatly enrich the German and Slavic Languages Department if another Slavic language were added to its program. As can be seen by the listing below of our majors, knowledge of the Serbo-Croatian language has application to many fields of study, including History, Anthropology, Political We strongly feel that Serbo-Croatian should be retained as a subject regularly offered at this University and that, to ensure continuity, an effort should be made to employ Dr. Djekić at U.C.S.B. for a further year. Your consideration of our request will be greatly appreciated. Any communication may be addressed to: Doreen Gjurasic, 1442 San Miguel Avenue, Santa Barbara, Ca. 93109, Telephone: 966-7089. Respectfully,

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