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To : American Institute of Pakistani Studies

From: Michael Hirsch

Re : AIPS Travel Grant Report

To Whom It May Concern:

On Friday, October 18 I presented a paper entitled "On Doing Research in Pakistan: A Primer" to an audience of 22 sociologists at the annual conference of the Association of Applied and Clinical Sociology (AACCS) in Portland, Oregon. Twenty-two individuals attended the presentation.

I introduced attendees to an array of opportunities for doing research in Pakistan beginning with a reminder that AACCS has a MOU with Fatimah Jinnah Women University (FJWU) in Rawalpindi. I just returned from Pakistan on the 13th of this month, and revisited our MOU with Sociology faculty at FJWU. I shared with the audience the array of cross-cultural research partnerships FJWU faculty are interested in pursuing.

I introduced attendees to Title VI funding and partnership opportunities. I explained the nature and operations of the American Institute of Pakistani Studies (AIPS) to the attendees. I reviewed my relationship to AIPS and discussed how I, along with a team of scholars, provided workshops in Pakistan vis AIPS funding last summer. I also highlighted State Department programs that also provide exchange opportunities between the U.S. and Pakistan (e.g., Fulbright, tuition grants for Pakistani students to study in the U.S.). This discussion also included mention of Gilman Scholarships and Critical Language Scholarships that could be laced into exchange program efforts.

Respectfully yours,

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