

PRESIDENT FORD, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY, STUDENTS:

As students, we are deeply concerned over the fate of the Textile Department. The fact that the department was not notified early on of the impending construction of the new sculpture, glass and metal building is inexcusable. At this time our primary concern is with relocation. We feel it is imperative that we be assured of equivalent studio space on campus, and that notification of that space be made before Spring of 1977 classes begin. Furthermore, it seems reasonable to ask that we are able to see some real action and progress towards renovation of facilities, for the purpose of printing textiles before Summer of 1977 classes begin. The Textile Department has had to deal with many unusual, disjointed and far from adequate working situations. We cannot help but feel rather dubious, at this time, about the sincerity of the colleges' commitment to the welfare of its departments. It is the colleges' responsibility then to offer the Textile Department plausible alternative space, immediately.

Thank you for your time,
 The Student Textile Committee