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Students were also very enthusiastic, as was I, about meeting and really coming to know people from other states and regions. We were in the Sheraton National Hotel with people from Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio and Colorado as well as from Martha's Vineyard, and inner city Charlestown, Massachusetts. Their political, educational and socio-economic needs were often quite different from our own.

I hope that you will be able to continue your support for this extremely worthwhile program. My students and I are much better people for having participated.

Sincerely,

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