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MESSAGE

Alumni of the NED University and of course, also of the former NED College – all of whom had not really made their mark during the twentieth century – have really surprised their Alma Mater in the twenty-first century – especially those in the Western Hemisphere whose number is now in four figures! The number of Alumni Association Chapters opening up at different locations in USA and Canada is heartening. This message however is especially addressed only to the New-England Chapter. What has been achieved by them in the Western Hemisphere during the last five years is really amazing – the meeting at Hartford Connecticut for hosting this Convention this year would be an event which would henceforth be repeated every year.

The NED University wants its Alumni – above all – to remember it, but also keep in mind that this University is somewhat different from what it was in their time! It is now functioning in three Campuses, offering 19 Undergraduate disciplines and also 27 evening Postgraduate Master's level programmes for working professionals!

This University also expects its Alumni to let it know in what way it could do more for them; it needs mostly good wishes and ideas from them. This University is currently in the throes of its largest ever Development Project sanctioned in December 2007 on the basis of its reputation amongst all Universities in Pakistan in respect of Development funding – the annual undergraduate intake expected to be 2070 in 2009-2010 against 1812 in 2007-2008. Development Funding is not likely to present much difficulty but there is definite anxiety about Recurring Grants because the Higher Education Commission has yet to learn how it should deal with the Ministry of Finance – that however is for the University itself to tackle – not cause its Alumni any unnecessary anxiety!

Let me end this Message by wishing this Convention to be really one grand success.

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