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August 14, 2023

International Travel Grant Committee:

I'm writing in full support of Dr. [REDACTED] request for an international travel grant from the Graduate College.

Dr. [REDACTED] responded to a call for paper proposals for the International Machiavelli Society Inaugural Conference to be held in Rome, Italy. He won a spot on a panel in a competitive process.

The value of this research to the field is very high in that it aims to remedy a major defect in the scholarly study of one of the most—if not *the* most—influential thinkers in the history of political philosophy (Dr. [REDACTED]'s subfield in political science). Machiavelli's literary writings on the private realm of love, sex, and family are nearly unknown in the English-speaking world. This defect will be remedied by the book (under contract at Oxford University Press) which translates all such works by Machiavelli and to which this paper will serve as an introduction. His participation will significantly advance Dr. [REDACTED]'s career in two ways. First, the book mentioned above is designed to round out his national reputation as a scholar of Machiavelli's didactic writings on the public realm of war by providing a major resource of Machiavelli's literary writings on the private realm of love. Second, his participation in Rome with major international figures in the field promises to begin to extend his reputation from the national to the international level.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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