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Dear Lamar:

Thank you for your good letter and good ideas.

Both AALL and AALS are reconsidering the definition of "serials" with a view towards its clarification and simplification. I will share your letter with Al Lewis and assure you that your views will be considered.

We need to clarify our objectives and to draft a simple, clear definition of "serials". A major problem seems to be that the term is used in different parts of the questionnaire for different purposes.

We are now in the process of re-thinking through the pertinent parts of the questionnaire. We will advise you when we have something concrete to propose. As for timing, I believe next year's questionnaire will carry the same definitions as last year's. Any change made will be made on the Fall 1977 questionnaire, so you should have almost a year's lead time.

Thank you, again, for your interest and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Hutchins

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