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MEMORANDUM

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
National Audio Video Conservation Center
Packard Campus, Culpeper, Va.
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TO: Ken Zin
The Video Company

FROM: Allan McConnell
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SUBJECT: Statement of Technical Expertise

To whom it may concern, I've had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Ken Zin for much of my forty plus years as an engineering manager of broadcast and archiving television equipment facilities. Subsequently, I can attest to his technical expertise to advise and refurbish those uniquely rare VTRs. I've had many discussions with him and consider Mr. Zin to be one of the true experts in the field of legacy video equipment. Additionally, as the Head of the Video Preservation Laboratory of the National Audio Video Conservation Center, Library of Congress, I have several videotape machines that are the product of Mr. Zin's experience. Not only do I have personal knowledge of doing business with him in the procurement of 2" quad VTRs I've also shipped sub-assemblies to him for repair. Over the years, there have been numerous occasions where our technical questions have been resolved by soliciting his input.

I am now relocating the Video Preservation Laboratory from the Madison Building, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. to its new location in the NAVCC, Culpeper, Va where machines that were obtained from Mr. Zin are being installed. I know of few men who come close to having his knowledge and technical ability to refurbish 2" quad and 1" helical VTRs. I cannot recommend Mr. Zin highly enough. When I'm able to procure additional VTRs, it is my intent to contract him for their refurbishment because I have the ultimate confidence in his ability.

Sincerely,

Allan McConnell