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Vivian-

I have had a chance to look over the proposal plus codicil. It is
looking better. I still think the budget can be cut. I ask you to
delete the secretary line and limit the senior salary lines to 2/3rds
of what you requested. That will keep the total salary line to under
$10,000. If that's agreeable, just send in a final budget form with
appropriate signatures.

On more substantive matters, I want to provide a note of caution.
Part of the question I was raising to the original proposal concerned
the problem of generalizability. Whatever information you gain from
one case will face questions as to its generality. There is further
the problem of interpretation; data such as that you will accrue will
surely be able to be "read" in more than one way. The codicil can be
read to overly dichotomize and simplify the differences between points
of view about the roles of professional codes. Are the important

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differences in theoretical approaches to their uses captured by talk
about selfishness versus selflessness? I don't think Michael thinks
so, nor do I think that all of the literature on uses of professional
codes to protect status thinks so. By the way, please indicate
whether you can/will keep an electronic archive of the Task Force's
deliberations, and can/will make it available for other scholars.

This last point reminds me that this research does involve human
subjects. Although the federal regs indicate that it falls into a
category that is exempt from the need for IRB approval, you need to
submit it to your IRB and send us their form which declares that it is
exempt.

I will expect to get a response to these matters soon (if the message gets
through.) Thanks, Rachelle