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PRESIDENT RUFUS EARLY CLEMENT,

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 Emmanuel K. Hagan,
 c/o Secretariat,
 P.O. Box 140,
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 Gold Coast, British West
 Africa.
 1st May, 1948.

Dear President,

I hope you will not accuse me of acting upon impulse only in venturing to write to you on this subject, but I hope you will see with me if I say that I have done it with a sincere hope that you will accord it a careful and favourable attention.

I am a young man of 25, an African, and have been educated up to Cambridge School Certificate Standard. I am desirous of continuing my studies further in the field of Liberal Arts and Education. After careful consideration and after meeting some of my countrymen who have been educated in the Universities in the States, being impressed with their reports of education there I decided to do my best, God willing, to get an American education.

But the only hindrance in realising my desire is funds. Funds because my parents are poor and cannot meet the cost. I got my College education through Christian love and benevolence.

I am therefore writing this my humble letter to you in order to ask your help in securing me admission into Atlanta University on scholarship. President, I am prepared to work part-time either in the College or outside it to make up for part of the scholarship if granted me. I am ready to do any type of honest work, from office work, because I am a typist and do routine office work, down to manual labour, i.e. waiter, valet, just anything to realise this goal, i.e. earn something to subsidise the grant. I have been restless and too anxious to continue my studies in the States and any failure to achieve this end will be a great disappointment to me. I want to help in dispelling ignorance from this part of the world and helping me in this way, President, you have contributed a great deal of good to Africa. Americans are generally noted for helping their fellow human beings in need. The Marshall Plan, U.R.R.A. etc are proofs of this good, and doing this to an African is also a great help to the human race. I am a Christian and believe in Christian love and goodness. So President, with respect I am here asking your help with the hope that you will do your best to help a poor African help in bringing more civilisation to his country.

I shall save enough (in fact I have) to pay for my passage to the States and incidental expenses until I reach your College, and I shall be too pleased to furnish you with all other information you may require from me.

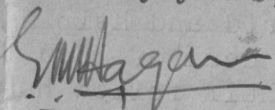
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Much as I hate troubling you, I hope you will not turn a deaf ear to my humble application, for my anxiety is now mounted as I have written to you and awaiting your reply.

With very many wishes of good will,

Respectfully yours,



E.K. HAGAN.

September 1, 1948

Mr. Emmanuel K. Hagan
c/o Secretariat
Post Office Box 140
Accra
Gold Coast, British West Africa

Dear Mr. Hagan:

Atlanta University offers work on the graduate level only. This means that we would expect you to have completed all of your undergraduate courses and to have received the first baccalaureate degree.

Will you please complete the enclosed blank and return it together with any official records of your work which you may have in your possession. We shall then be glad to consider your application for admission and for scholarship aid.

I regret that your letter of application has come too late to consider you for admission for the first semester of the academic year 1948-49, which begins September 21.

Yours very truly,

RUFUS E. CLEMENT

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