WHEREAS the library is an essential part of all aspects of this institution; and,
WHEREAS the library's informational and knowledge resources are integral to every
faculty member's programs of research, instruction, and service; and,
WHEREAS the allocation for acquiring library materials and library technology has
never been sufficient to support the programs of this institution to an
adequate degree; and,
WHEREAS the continuing escalation in the cost of library materials and the
decreasing value of the dollar have severely and adversely affected the
library's already limited buying power; and,
WHEREAS the acquisition of non-serial materials (i.e., books, films, microfilm,
sound recordings) has declined by 87% between 1980 and 1988; and,
WHEREAS the library faces a $500,000 shortfall to support acquisitions programs and
the automation project in fiscal year 1987-88; and,
WHEREAS the Golda Meir Library will, without additional financial resources, be
forced to reduce serial expenditures by as much as 30% during academic year
1988-89 in order to maintain the present, inadequate acquisitions program; and,
WHEREAS the library's implementation of technology is threatened by budgetary
insufficiencies; and,
WHEREAS this doctoral research institution is confronted with the unacceptable
prospect of a loss of automated systems and a return to manual systems that
are incompatible with contemporary standards of technology; and,
WHEREAS a minimal budget increase of $1.3 million is essential to maintaining
current acquisitions and automation programs and an additional $1.2 million is
required to support expansion of library acquisitions to a level more nearly
appropriate to a comprehensive doctoral university; and,
NOTWITHSTANDING that the issue of faculty salaries must be of the highest priority
for the University of Wisconsin System in the 1989-91 biennium;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University Library Committee of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee recommends:

That the Faculty Senate respectfully urge Chancellor Smith to provide an emergency library allocation of $500,000 for fiscal year 1987-88 in order to meet the shortfall in acquisitions and automation programs; and,

That the Faculty Senate respectfully urge Chancellor Smith to seek major increases in base budget allocations in an amount of $1.3 to $2.5 million beginning with fiscal year 1988-89 in support of library acquisitions and automation.

University Library Committee

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Golda Meir Library
Automation Fact-Sheet
February, 1988

- The Golda Meir Library faces a crisis in automation.
- Current funding cannot support the Network Library System (NLS) online catalog application at UWM.
- Faculty and students may lose direct computer access to 2.1 million bibliographic records in the UWM and UW-Madison catalog database.
- Additional funding is required to continue service at UWM of the currently installed and operating NLS system: $228,539 for 1987-88 and $331,203 for 1988-89.

- NLS PROJECT STARTED IN 1979 BASED ON:
  - UWM work with Online Computer Library Center (OCLC), which was initiated at UWM in 1976 and now includes over 753,000 UWM records in the database.
  - Early automation efforts initiated by University of Chicago.
  - Equipment and funding by IBM.
  - Equipment and funding by UW-System.
  - Planning, programming, funding, and testing by UW-Madison.

- UW-MILWAUKEE AND UW-MADISON COOPERATION FOR LIBRARY AUTOMATION JOINT PROJECT SINCE 1982:
  - UWM's NLS system in public use since August, 1987.
  - $300,000 start-up funds from UW-System in 1986-87.
  - $100,000 operating funds from UW-System in 1987-88.
  - Provides automated catalogs for:
    - Madison's General Library System - 1,300,000 records.
    - UWM - 800,000 records.

- OVER TWO-MILLION LIBRARY RESOURCE ITEMS ACCESSIBLE ONLINE:
  - To every faculty member and student of either University.
  - From terminals at libraries in either University.
  - 50 terminals currently in UWM library.
  - Additional dial-up ports at UWM and UW-Madison expand service to off-campus locations.

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• COOPERATIVE BENEFITS

Improved interlibrary loan between UW-Madison and UWM.
Access to Center for Research Libraries (CRL):
  CRL tapes are on the Network Library System; holdings can be searched.
Collection development with UW-Madison.
  NLS is mechanism for developing coordinated purchasing of books and journals by UW-Madison and UWM.
OCLC records easily accessible.
Potential for local loading of specialized databases.

• RESEARCH SUPPORT

All UW-System campuses are installing online library systems.
UWM's NLS online catalog provides additional access points vital for researchers.
UWM faculty and graduate students need state-of-the-art information retrieval technology.
Recruitment and retention of faculty and graduate students may be jeopardized without NLS.
Faculty are accustomed to online library systems to support research at major universities. A return to a manual card catalog would be inefficient and impractical.

• NLS VITAL FOR UWM

Built upon 10 years of cooperation with UW-Madison libraries and computer center.
Draws upon 12 years of database construction through the national network, OCLC.
System is installed and operating.
Information technology as represented by computerized library systems, such as NLS, is essential to UWM's quest for excellence and to the fulfillment of this University's research mission.
TO: William C. Roselle, Director of the Library

FROM: Richard Jones, Assistant Director for Collection Management

RE: Range of allocation levels for acquisitions

February 22, 1988

I assume that the smallest acceptable increase is that which will allow us to operate without a budget deficit and serials cancellations. In accordance with my memo of 2 February, this is $800,000. If we had this amount of increase we could: (1) maintain the current serial list; (2) pay off the deficit from 1987-88; and (3) purchase about 8,000 monographs. We would continue to order no new serials, build the collection at about 10% of needs, and continue accumulating a backlog of needs.

The adequate increase is that which would allow us to retain current serials, add the accumulated backlog of approved titles, and purchase a reasonable number of monographs. This would require:

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\begin{align*}
$1,808,571 & \text{ current serials} \\
695,000 & \text{ backlog of serials} \\
1,672,000 & \text{ 44,000 monographs} \\
4,175,571 & \text{ Adequate budget} \\
(1,811,101) & \text{ current budget} \\
2,364,470 & \text{ increase required for Adequate budget}
\end{align*}
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The ultimate allocation would do all of the above and give us an additional base increase of $100,000 for special purchases and new serial requests, an additional $50,000 for binding, and a $1,000,000 one-time allocation to deal with the unfunded backlog of monographic and set requests.