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Dear Phyllis Van Orden:

The task force to revise the field of responsibility statement for the Association for Library Service to Children met in Chicago at ALA Headquarters on Monday, December 5, 1983. All members were present and Ann Carlson Weeks also met with us and participated in the discussion.

I am enclosing a copy of the statement as we have recommended its revision.* You will probably note that it draws heavily from the statements concerning priority group responsibilities in ALSC as well as from the earlier statement. In planning to revise it, we rather carefully reviewed similar statements of other divisions and membership groups in ALA. I think ours is not a drastic revision but I hope it is a useful one.

The committee recommends that the statement be approved by the board at the Midwinter meeting of 1984, and since article 2 of the bylaws consists of this current statement of responsibility we further recommend that the proposed statement be incorporated in the bylaws in the customary way that bylaws are amended. Concurrently with that we recommend that another committee be established to draft a statement similar to one that the Young Adult Services Division currently has which builds on the statement of responsibility to indicate specific tasks and goals useful in short-term decision making and long-term planning for the association.

Three of the four members of the committee plan to attend the ALA Midwinter meeting. Ruth Tarbox will not be able to be there. Susan Roman is on the ALSC board and so will be present for all of your meetings. The best one at which we can report as a committee and which is most convenient for Linda Callaghan and me to attend is the one set for Sunday, January 8, from 2:00 to 5:30 p.m. I am noting that one on my schedule and will plan to be there unless I hear from you or Ann Weeks to the contrary.

Thank you for giving us this assignment. We enjoyed the opportunity to think about this responsibility and to work together to meet it. We will be prepared to respond to questions or comments at the board meeting.

Sincerely,

Peggy Sullivan
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Dean

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* Statement went out with ALSC Board docket from the ALSC office. P.S

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Susan Roman
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