APPENDIX 6. REPLY FROM SECRETARY OF COMMERCE NORMAN Y. MINETA TO NCLIS CHAIRPERSON MARTHA B. GOULD, SEPTEMBER 1, 2000

The Secretary of Commerce Washington, DC 20230 Sep 1 2000

Ms. Martha Gould Chairperson United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science 1110 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 200053552

Dear Chairperson Gould: 289

Thank you for your kind words on my appointment as Secretary of Commerce and for the copy of your Commission's report to the President and Congress – Preliminary Assessment of the Proposed Closure of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS).

I am pleased to designate Ms. Laureen Daly, Senior Advisor, Office of Policy and Strategic Planning, (202 482-6062, as the Commerce Department's Liaison to work with the Commission on its next study.

I look forward to working with you on this project and on the broad reforms needed in the Government's public information dissemination laws and programs.

Sincerely yours,

/signed/

Norman Y. Mineta

Congratulations on your becoming the Chair of NCLIS!²⁹⁰

²⁸⁹ Secretary Mineta's letter is available at <u>http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/mineta.pdf</u> (as a scanned image) and also at <u>http://www.nclis.gov/govt/assess/assess.appen6.pdf</u> (as an appendix to this report).

²⁹⁰ This is the text of a hand written note at the end of the letter.