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Mr. Carlos Aparicio
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Dear Carlos,

I was very pleased to receive a copy of your report on law and development.

You will be interested to know that the Government of Indonesia has recently undertaken some law reform in the areas of commercial law and dispute-settlement because the government has realized that the current legal system served as an impediment to economic development. The Government is coming to realize that the economists can provide only part of the solution to development problems. In many countries it is, as you say, a question of the way people traditionally conceive of "development" and of "law". Lawyers have been seen too much as litigators rather than problem solvers.

My best to you and your family for the New Year.

Sincerely,



David Smith
Vice Dean.