LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I would like to commend Professor Peter Lorange of The Wharton School and Dr. Anders Edström of The Swedish Council for Management and Work Life Issues for their excellent service as guest editors of this Special Issue of JIBS on Strategic Planning, Autonomy, and Control Processes in Multinational Corporations. Through their dedicated and concerted efforts, Peter Lorange and Anders Edström have assembled articles by leading scholars who focus on many key issues of multinational strategic management. The articles present an integrated treatment of many aspects of business planning and control processes of multinational enterprise, synthesizing numerous recent developments in the field. Given the space limitations of JIBS, the articles in this issue can deal only with certain important topics in the highly complex subject of multinational strategic management. Yet, this issue should provide valuable material for educators, foster increased exchange of views among scholars and practitioners, and encourage further research on this important subject.

The transition of JIBS from Rutgers University to the University of South Carolina has been proceeding smoothly. In July, forthcoming editor-in-chief David Ricks and his staff assumed responsibility for processing all new articles as well as those in the pipeline. Rutgers Graduate School of Management will publish its final issue in Winter 1984. The University of South Carolina will publish the previously accepted articles that we cannot publish.

The progress that we achieved over the last 10 years in publishing JIBS has been a joint effort involving many individuals. I shall have more to say about this in our final issue of JIBS. We expect that the high standard that we achieved in publishing articles in JIBS will be continued by David Ricks and his staff at the University of South Carolina.

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