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Most of the individuals and institutions that were acknowledged in Volume I of the papers of Martin Luther King, Jr., also contributed to this volume. Until it became obvious that we had located an unexpectedly large number of significant documents on King's early years, the first two volumes were to be published as one. Rather than simply repeat my earlier words of appreciation to contributors to the initial manuscript, I will acknowledge those whose work has been especially important to the completion of the present volume. Furthermore, I wish to thank many individuals and institutions whose contributions to the Project's work were not adequately acknowledged or were erroneously omitted in the first volume. As I indicated in the prior volume, the King Papers Project is similar to the social movements that made possible King's achievements, in that the sacrifices of many dedicated people will never be sufficiently recognized.

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