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Dear Ms. Dodge:

I am delighted to inform you that you have been selected as the recipient of the 2010 Hayward Alker Student Paper Award for your paper "Tensions in Deliberative Practice: A View from Civil Society." Congratulations! The awards committee found your paper to be a distinctly polished and innovative piece of interpretive analysis, and we are pleased to recognize your work with this honor.

As you know, the Hayward Alker Student Paper Award is named to honor the memory of Hayward R. Alker, John A. McCone Chair in International Security at the School of International Relations, University of Southern California, and former President of the International Studies Association, who passed away on August 24, 2007. From his humanistic critique of mainstream political science, to the role he played in the development and promotion of interdisciplinary, historically grounded, linguistically and hermeneutically-informed approaches to political science, Hayward Alker was a tireless champion of interpretive methodologies. His commitment to nurturing and encouraging graduate students and young scholars makes this award a doubly appropriate way to honor his contributions.

We hope that you will be able to join us for the official award presentation at this year's meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington, DC. Please let us know at your earliest convenience if you are able to attend.

Please accept my sincerest congratulations, and those of the entire awards committee.

Sincerely,

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