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Dr. Tom Starr
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Dear Tom:

Enclosed find the dissertation we discussed on the phone. I have also enclosed a copy of the questionnaire used in the study and several journal articles which were referenced in the dissertation. We would like you to provide us with a review evaluating the application of the standardized fertility ratio analysis, sex ratio at birth analysis, and whether the conclusions are supported by the data. We would also like to know if you think any further analysis of these data would be useful. I have sent you the entire dissertation, but pages 235-304 contain most of the important material to be reviewed. I intend to share your review with the author.

As we discussed, we pay our reviewers $100.00 per hour. Please give me call (314-694-8811) with an estimate of how long you think this review will take and when you will be able to finish it. Thank you for helping us on such short notice.

Sincerely,

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