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Dr. Charles B. Tompkins

Dear Dr. Tompkins:

I wish to thank you for your letter of 23 May 1952, and especially for your two-page rough draft of a mission for SCAG. I assure you that it is being studied attentively and will be used advantageously in preparing our draft. Yours is concise, simple, clear, and contains the real meat. We shall add the trimmings.

In accordance with your request I am sending you a typed copy of your draft, since I made copies for local distribution.

I also wish to thank you for your letter of 26 May, written after your visit with Cairns on your homeward bound trip. He and I had a good meeting here a couple of days ago and reviewed all the arrangements for the symposium. I was glad to note that you and Cairns found yourself in complete agreement on the arrangements. We, too, feel that they are quite satisfactory and that we should derive a good deal of benefit from the meeting. AFSA is planning to send 6 to 9 persons, some for a full month, some for three weeks. We hope that Shannon and von Neumann will be able to participate, too. General Canine accepted my suggestion yesterday that he drop in for a visit some time during the month of July or August; at least he told Cairns he would and I think he will unless something unforeseen should develop. I would like to do the same, maybe at the same time, and so would Admiral Wenger.

Admiral Wenger gave me a copy of your recent letter to him and asked me to get busy on the clearance of Dr. Rigby and Mrs. Frankl, *et al*, which should not take long as I think both of them have appropriate clearances for what you wish them to handle for you. Will let you know soon.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN
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Mission for SCAG