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Dr. Leo Szilard  
c/o Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists  
5734 University Avenue  
Chicago 37, Illinois

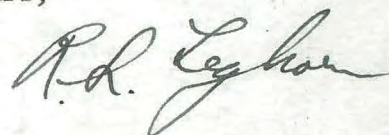
Dear Dr. Szilard:

It was with great interest that I have reread your article on disarmament in my current issue of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, just received. I think your points have been well sharpened over your earlier drafts, and I found the stimulation of your ideas just as fascinating as always.

Rereading your article made me aware, however, of my unfortunate procrastination in not having sent you the promised comments on your earlier draft. Actually, both are still sitting in my dictation file with elaborate pencil notes which I never had time to dictate. The only excuse I can offer is that this job in Washington has taken almost half my time. The double responsibility this autumn has put me quite behind in my normal work. However, I am enclosing a memo of October 12, together with an addendum of October 17, which you might be interested to look over. In writing these, I had in mind in some places the remarks that I was hoping to make to you about your own piece. As you will see, there are major areas of agreement, although still a few of disagreement.

I have been in Washington frequently and have tried to reach you, both at the hotel and through Max Kampelman. Unfortunately, we have missed connections. I will be there all of next week, beginning November 14, and if you should be in town, I can be reached through STerling 3-5200, Extension 5377. Again, congratulations on an excellent article and some very stimulating proposals.

Sincerely yours,



RSLeghorn:EBW  
Enclosure

*P.S. Please regard the enclosures as a private communication. The first is not an analysis, but an attempt to think some of the problems through from a public leadership viewpoint. As you can see, I am completely wedded to the "abrogation" school of thought - and for many more reasons than show in the enclosures -*  
*Best regards*  
*RLH*



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December 1, 1955

Dr. Leo Szilard  
Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists  
5734 University Avenue  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Many thanks for your note of November 21.

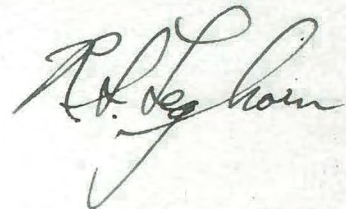
I am enclosing a copy of a recent memorandum on "Graduated Deterrence and Geneva" and also a copy of my statement before the joint subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy which dealt with the mobilization base and certain other aspects of security. I am also enclosing a draft of a paper on new security concepts. Would you be good enough to treat the enclosures as a personal communication between the two of us for the time being.

The enclosures represent quite a lot of material, and I hardly expect you to read them thoroughly. However, if you do have a chance to glance through this material, I would be grateful to learn of any preliminary impressions you may have.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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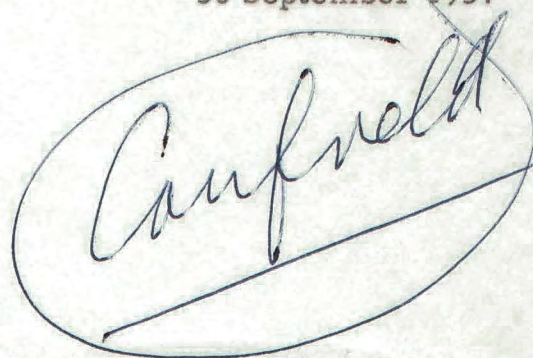




226 Winter Street  
Weston, Massachusetts

30 September 1957

Mr. Cass Canfield  
Harper & Brothers  
Office of Chairman of the Board  
49 East 33rd Street  
New York 16, New York



Dear Mr. Canfield:

Your letter of July 31, with attached memoranda by Drs. Szilard and Doering, unfortunately arrived on the eve of a change in my occupation and residence, and I am sorry for the resulting two months' delay in my reply.

Regarding the proposed Research Institute primarily for the field of Public Health, I have insufficient acquaintance with research activities in this area to make a useful comment. However, I can speak enthusiastically about the proposed Institute for Problem Studies.

I have seen similar approaches used with conspicuous success in dealing with certain aspects of national security subsequent to the war. There is every reason to believe that the population control area, and public health matters in general, could benefit significantly in similar fashion. If the proposal has advanced close to realization, it might be worthwhile to draw on experience with national security problems, before settling on working policies.

Although I am most doubtful that I can be of any assistance in furthering this proposal, if any ideas occur to me, I will certainly write again.

Meanwhile, thank you so much for the chance to read these memoranda. And congratulations for the initiative you are apparently taking concerning them.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Leghorn

RSL/ps  
cc. Dr. Leo Szilard ✓  
University of Chicago



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June 18, 1958

Colonel Richard Leghorn  
President, ITEK Corporation  
Commonwealth Avenue 700  
Boston 15, Massachusetts, USA

Copies: Professor L. Szilard  
Professor J. Wiesner

Dear Dr. Leghorn:

I received your letter and a signed copy of the Memorandum. Upon my return to Moscow from Canada I informed my colleagues in the USSR Academy of Sciences about the Second Pugwash meeting of Scientists, which in my opinion was fruitful and also of your proposal to hold a private conference of soviet and american scientists in Moscow in July to discuss the possible ways to eliminate dangers of an atomic war as well as the actions that might be taken in this connection by the scientists of USSR and USA.

My colleagues met this proposal with interest and expressed a hope that such a Conference will contribute towards eliminating the threat to humanity of a devastating atomic war and towards establishment of mutual understanding and trust between our countries.

The problems put forward in your memorandum arouse no objections on our part and can be included into the number of problems to be discussed at this Conference.



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We would appreciate your letting us know before the beginning of the Conference, if your time permits, other considerations and proposals on your part referring to the topic of the discussions.

The Academy of Sciences will invite to this Conference american scientists as its guests in the USSR for 2-3 weeks. The Conference could begin on July 28 if it is convenient for you.

We would like to have particulars on your american colleagues in order to be able to extend invitations and help with getting visas in time. We have no objections against Senator Humphrey's participation in the Conference as observer, if he wishes so.

We convey our friendly greetings to your wife on behalf of myself and Mr. Pavlichenko.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

A. V. Topchiev



NIGHT LETTER

July 9, 1958

A. V. TOPCHIEV  
ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE SOVIET UNION  
LENINSKI PROSPECT  
MOSCOW, USSR

WE ARE VERY GRATIFIED BY YOUR LETTER OF JUNE  
EIGHTEENTH STOP WE PROPOSE THAT THE FULL-SCALE  
DISCUSSIONS OUTLINED IN YOUR LETTER START IN MOSCOW  
IN THE SECOND HALF OF SEPTEMBER IF THAT IS CONVENIENT  
TO YOU STOP WE PROPOSE FURTHER THAT A PREPARATORY  
DISCUSSION BE HELD IN MOSCOW AT AN EARLY DATE, ATTENDED  
BY WALTER WHITMAN, LEO SZILARD, MYSELF AND, IF POSSIBLE,  
JEROME WIESNER STOP THE PURPOSE OF THIS PREPARATORY  
DISCUSSION IS TO DISCOVER THE MOST PRODUCTIVE TOPICS  
ON WHICH THE FULL-SCALE DISCUSSIONS MAY CONCENTRATE  
AND TO PERMIT A BETTER PREPARATION OF THE FULL-SCALE  
DISCUSSIONS STOP WE PROPOSE THAT THE PREPARATORY  
DISCUSSION BEGIN ON AUGUST EIGHTEENTH IF THIS IS  
CONVENIENT TO YOU STOP AS AN ALTERNATIVE DATE, WE  
SUGGEST JULY TWENTY-EIGHTH STOP LETTER FOLLOWS STOP  
BEST REGARDS

LEGHORN



NIGHT LETTER

JULY 22, 1958

A. V. TOPCHIEV  
ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE SOVIET UNION  
LENINSKI PROSPECT  
MOSCOW, U.S.S.R.

CONFIRMING TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH PAVLOCHENKO

STOP I UNDERSTAND THAT MEETING IN MOSCOW IN SEPTEMBER IS  
CONVENIENT FOR YOU IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MEETING IN AUSTRIA  
STOP I UNDERSTAND ALSO THAT YOU WILL LET US KNOW NEXT WEEK  
WHETHER PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION IN AUGUST CAN ALSO BE ARRANGED  
STOP WE BELIEVE PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION COULD BE USEFUL BUT  
NOT ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL THEREFORE WE WOULD ABIDE BY YOUR  
JUDGMENT IN THIS MATTER STOP AUGUST EIGHTEEN OR ANY LATER  
DATE IN AUGUST WOULD BE ALRIGHT WITH WALTER WHITMAN, LEO SZILARD  
AND MYSELF STOP SZILARD THINKS AUGUST TWENTY-THIRD MIGHT BE  
BETTER IF IT IS EQUALLY CONVENIENT TO YOU BECAUSE PROBABLY  
LESSENERD EXCITEMENT ABOUT MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT STOP WE ARE  
NOW MAKING DEFINITE ARRANGEMENT FOR MEETING LATE IN SEPTEMBER  
STOP BEST REGARDS

LEGHORN

Charge to:  
Daniel R. Davies  
Lockwood 4-7916



9th June, 1960.

Mr. Richard S. Leghorn,  
President,  
ITEK Corporation,  
700 Commonwealth Avenue,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dick,

Attached is a text of a communication addressed to Khrushchev. I propose to hold it for about 10 days and then having it transmitted, through the good offices of a Russian colleague. I have no spare copy left so that I cannot send a copy to Jerry, but if you or Jerry have any comments please call me over the telephone at ext. 133, Trafalgar 9 - 3000.

I am sending a copy to Ambassador Charles Bohlen and there would be, of course, no objection to you discussing the matter with your friends in the State Department.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard.

Enclosure:



September 2, 1960.

Richard S. Leghorn,  
226 Winter Street,  
Weston, Mass.

Dear Dick,

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which I wrote to  
Jerry Wiesner, with copies of the enclosures, for your information  
and such action as you and Wiesner may decide upon.

I shall keep in touch with you over the telephone  
concerning the advisability of bringing this matter to the attention  
of Richard M. Nixon, in order to enable him to take a position in this  
matter after November 7, should he be the President-elect.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard.

Enclosures.