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Professor Leo Szilard
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Dear Sir,

Our publishing house is planning to present your work to the Hungarian public.

Gondolat Publishers specialize in popular scientific, art and other topical books which appeal to a great number of readers. Thus we would be only too glad to be able to include a volume in our list in order that the Hungarian public should get acquainted with your great achievements as scientist, peace advocate and writer. We are absolutely sure a volume of this kind would be a great success in our country.

For this reason we are now asking for your kind permission to publish a selected volume of your writings. From the small material available here we have chosen the following titles:

The abbreviated text of your lecture on the problems of war and peace, published in 1962 in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientist,

From the volume The Voice of the Dolphins:
Calling All Stars
Report on Grand Central Terminal
The Mark Gabel Foundation.

In the event that you give your consent to the publication of this selected edition, please help us to collect further material you consider important. We think mostly writings and lectures on your scientific work, on the state and problems of science, on the great questions of our age /war and peace, disarmament/, writings which could be read and enjoyed by people without a higher scientific education, should be included.

Waiting your early answer with great interest,

we remain faithfully yours

Könyv-, Lapkiadó és Terjesztő Vállalat
Budapest, VIII., Bródy Sándor utca 16.

Ernest Havas
Manager

/Ernest Havas/

May 29, 1963

Ernest Havas
Gondolat
Budapest VIII
Brody Sandor u. 16.

Dear Mr. Havas:

Many thanks for your letter of March 24th. I am enclosing a copy of the speech to which your letter refers and you might include it in the volume if you wish, provided only that it must not be abbreviated. I am also enclosing an article entitled, "The Mined Cities", which you might wish to include.

I am also enclosing "The Ten Commandments" in German, the language in which it was originally written. You might wish to include it also - provided you can find somebody who can adequately translate it, which is not easy.

I shall try to think of more material that you might include and if I can think of anything suitable, then I would write you.

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

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Ügyintéző: _____

Prof. Leo Szilárd
Hotel Dupont Plaza
Washington, 6 D.C.

Dear Professor Szilárd,

This is to thank for your letter of May 29th, and for your articles "The ten commandments" and "Are we on the Road to War?". We are glad to have them, and look forward to receive your further material referred to in our correspondence.

May we mention that the works we received from you up to now make only about 56 typed pages. At first we have planned to publish a book of about 200 to 250 pages. Thus it would be good if the volume would not be smaller than at least the half of this.

Hoping that you will furnish us with some more writings in order to reach this size, I am,
dear Professor Szilárd,

sincerely yours

/Ernö Havas/

Director.

Gen file (1964)

Geneva, 12 September, 1963

Mr Erno Havas
Director
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Dear Mr Havas,

I have your letter of July 17. I believe that in the circumstances it will be best to postpone the publication of the book which you planned, until conditions may permit the inclusion of the lead story of my little book called "The Voice of the Dolphins". Let us hope that the time is not far when this may be possible.

Perhaps you might be interested to read the review of my book which was printed in the Soviet Union and which I am enclosing.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard
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