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31st July, 1934.

S. Sagall, Esq.,
c/o Messrs. Scophony Ltd.,
2, Dean Street,
London W.C.

Dear Mr. Sagall,

Enclosed you will find a short Memorandum. I may add that I have in mind to use part of the money required for the experiments for appointing one of the refugee physicists for two years. I have a particular man in mind, and have also discussed his person with the head of the laboratory in which the work would take place, in order to find out whether he would be acceptable. He has special experience in a certain technique which is required for the work, but I have not yet raised the matter with the man in question.

I shall try to let you have more information through the Academic Assistance Council tomorrow, as I think that all information as far as the University is involved had better come through them.

I believe I have told you that I shall have to visit New York at the end of September in connection with an appointment as research associate offered to me by New York University.

Please be good enough to telephone to me if you want any further information, and advise me before you take any steps in the matter.

Yours very truly,

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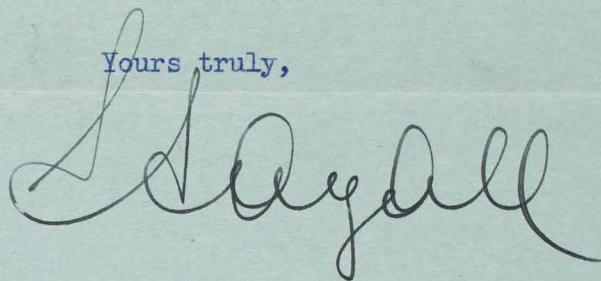
Dear Dr Szilard,

I regret I was unable to speak to you last week when you phoned as I was in conference.

I am forwarding to you herewith a letter received from Messrs Reddie & Grose with regard to your application. Will you please reply to them direct and return their file copy.

I should like you to call on me on the occasion of your next visit to London in order to discuss the relations between Scophony and yourself with regard to this invention. As you know Messrs Reddie & Grose were instructed by Scophony Limited but of course the position must be regularised.

Yours truly,



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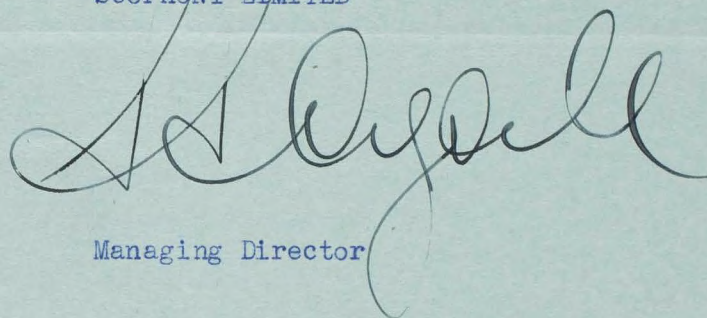
Dear Dr. Szillard,

Further to our yesterday's conversation, I beg to confirm herewith, that it is our intention to communicate to you, on or before the 1st of March 1936, as to whether we would be interested in your invention relating to the "Reproduction of Sound", which was filed by us on your behalf.

In the meantime, I would remind you about the need for sending to us immediately the Official Action of the 21st October, which was forwarded to you at the time, so that our Patent Department may deal with the matter.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of:
SCOPHONY LIMITED



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Managing Director

c/o The Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
OXFORD.

6th January, 1936.

S. Sagall Esq.,
Scophony Ltd.,
Thornwood Lodge,
Camden Hill,
Kensington, LONDON. S.W.

Dear Mr. Sagall,

Dr. Barrasch was kind enough to promise me to test a special amplifier, which I got built in London, and which has been designed by him. If you have no objection to his testing this amplifier on your premises, I shall have it delivered to Dr. Barrasch at your address.

I refer to our last conversation, and would like to tell you that I discussed the matter with Mr. Walton over lunch. So far, there is a divergence of opinion on one point only; Mr. Walton thinks that I am too pessimistic in assuming that the human ear can perceive certain things which, in his opinion, the human ear cannot do. If Mr. Walton is right, then our task is very much simpler than I have assumed up to now, and we should lose no time in putting this new gramophone into existence. I do not know whether he is right or not, but he is so much more of an expert than I in these matters, that we had better follow his view at this juncture.

Enclosed you will find the letter of your Patent Agent, for which you asked.

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard.

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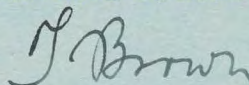
British Application No. 26134/35
entitled "Reproduction of Sound"

This has reference to your invention relating to sound reproduction, which is covered by the above application. After careful consideration, we have decided not to acquire this invention, this decision being based chiefly upon patent considerations.

The last date on which the Complete Specification can be filed is 20th September, and we realise that this gives you very little time to decide whether to continue with the application yourself. If you agree to this course, it is essential that you reply to our letter of February 24th at the earliest possible date, since the questions set forth in this letter must be answered to the satisfaction of the Patent Office before the preparation of the Complete Specification can be undertaken. In case you have no copy of the Provisional Specification to hand, we are enclosing a copy which you may retain. We also return your notes on the subject.

In conclusion, we wish to thank you for having brought this invention to our notice, and we hope that you will give us the opportunity of considering any future inventions relating to matters in which we are likely to be interested.

Yours faithfully,
SCOPHONY LIMITED



T. Brown
Patent Department.

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