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25th January, 1937.

Dr. L. Szilard,
c/o Clarendon Laboratories,
Parkes Road,
OXFORD.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent Application
Serial No. 10500 of 1935.

In connection with your above numbered United States Patent Application we have received a further Official communication from the Examiner.

The newly drafted descriptive portion of the Specification has been entered upon the Official record and no further objections have been made in this respect. The new claims 24 to 51 have been rejected on the publications cited in the Official Action of the 17th June, 1935. We suppose that you have copies of these publications and should be obliged if you would forward them for our consideration. The Examiner suggests that claims 24 to 34, and 47 to 51 recite only the broad concept of producing a radiation containing neutrons and utilising the neutron radiation to produce radio-activity in normally non-active bodies. It is further alleged that this broad concept is fairly

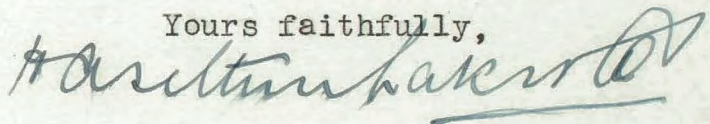
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anticipated by the disclosure on pages 156, 157 of Vol. 13 of the Bell System Technical Journal (January, 1934), and by the disclosure on page 110 of this same publication. Where the claims are not completely anticipated by this publication, it is suggested that there is no patentable step in deriving the subject-matter of the claims given this publication. The apparatus claims 35 to 46, are rejected as defining obvious apparatus for obtaining the results set out in the publication mentioned above. The Examiner further alleges that the apparatus claimed in these claims would be obvious to any worker skilled in the art who had the publication referred to, in his possession.

It will clearly be necessary to make a careful study of the publication relied upon by the Examiner, and as stated above, we should be obliged if you would let us have a copy of the publication if it is in your possession. At the same time please let us have your comments on this publication in regard to your invention. If you so desire we can obtain photostat copies of the pages of the publication indicated by the Examiner as being pertinent.

We are allowed up till the 14th July next to file a reply to this present Action. Your instructions should be in our hands before the end of May next in order that we might have adequate time for the preparation of a full response to the Action.

Yours faithfully,



Dr.L. Szilard,

28th January, 1937.

P.S. This letter is being despatched to you since we have not yet been informed of the name and address of the Company referred to by you on the telephone last Monday. As soon as you let us know the name and address of the Company, a duplicate of this present letter will be despatched to them as requested.

c/o Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
Oxford.

29th January 1937.

Messrs. Haseltine, Lake & Co.,
28 Southampton Buildings,
Chancery Lane,
London, W.C.2.

Dear Sirs,

Please kindly note that I concluded an agreement with Mr. I. Adam, of Danzig, concerning the American application for which I gave you power of attorney. Dr. A. Brasch, c/o Edwin H. Bloch, Long Island City, 3516 34th Street, N.Y., U.S.A., the nephew of Mr. Adam, wants to be kept fully informed of the progress of the American application and whenever it should happen that I fail to give you instructions at the proper time I wish you to follow the instructions of Dr. Brasch. In order to enable him to give you such instructions I should appreciate if you could send him a copy of all correspondence on the subject from now on and also a copy of the official action which you recently received.

I shall appreciate your acknowledging this letter.

Yours sincerely,

(Leo Szilard).

P.S. Dr. Brasch must not be informed on the subject matter which does not form part of the present application but was contained in the application as originally filed. I intend to bring the subject matter which I have deleted from the present application into a second application which ought to be filed before the acceptance of the present application. The second application however does not concern Dr. Brasch.

c/o Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
Oxford.

30st January 1937.

Messrs. Haseltine, Lake & Co.,
28 Southampton Buildings,
Chancery Lane,
London, W.C.2.

Dear Sirs,

Will you please kindly note the fact that I have concluded an agreement concerning the American patent, for which you have power of attorney on my behalf, with Konsul Isbert Adam, Stadtgraben 14, Danzig, and that it is my wish that you shall carry out his instructions and charge him for the expenses in case I should be prevented by circumstances from taking the necessary steps with regard to this application.

The American patent, as it stands at present does not contain all of the subject matter which was contained in the original application but only that part of the subject matter which corresponds to my published English patent on the same subject. The rest which may form the subject of a second American application which I might file before the application in the present form is accepted does not concern Mr. Adam.

I shall be indebted to you for an acknowledgment of the receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

(Leo Szilard)

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3rd February, 1937.

Leo Szilard, Esq.,
c/o Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
OXFORD.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent Application Serial
No. 10500 filed 11th March, 1935.

We have received your two letters of the 29th and
30th ultimo.

We note that you have concluded an agreement with
Mr. Adam of Danzig whereby this gentleman will take over the
prosecution of your Patent Application in the case where you
are unable to instruct us direct yourself.

From your letter of the 29th ultimo we gather that
you wish us to communicate with Dr. Brasch of the United States,
whereas in your letter of the 30th it appears that you wish us
to communicate with Mr. Adam. Perhaps you would let us know
whether you wish us to send copies of our letters to you, to both
the gentlemen mentioned above. Please also let us know whether
we are to look to you for payment of your outstanding account
or whether you wish this to be transferred to Mr. Adam. As

Leo Szilard, Esq.,

you will understand, we have no account with either of the two gentlemen referred to by you, and if they are to make themselves responsible for further expenses in connection with this case, we should like to have a remittance from them to be placed to the credit of their account.

Until we receive from you a further communication informing us whether it is Dr. Brasch or Mr. Adam who is to receive duplicates of correspondence to you, we are taking no further action in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

W. S. K. Baker

c/o Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
Oxford.

6th February 1937.

Messrs. Haseltine, Lake & Co.,
28 Southampton Buildings,
Chancery Lane,
London, W.C.

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of your letter of February 3rd, and in order to elucidate the position I should like to state the following:-

I have the intention of going on sending you instructions myself about the Patent application which you have in hand. The purpose of keeping Dr. Brasch fully informed about the developments in connection with the American application serves the purpose of enabling him to send you instructions which you could follow in case no instructions were forthcoming from me at the proper time. Accordingly you are to send copies of every letter you write me on this matter to Dr. Brasch. As far as dealing with American office actions are concerned, in the absence of instructions from me, you ~~are to go~~ ^{ought to act} on the instructions of Dr. Brasch. You need no send any copies at the present time to Mr. Adam. Should I, however, at any time be prevented from sending you instructions and should Mr. Adam decide to give you instructions which he deems necessary to obtain an American patent or to maintain an American patent already granted you are hereby instructed to follow his instructions. As far as payment of costs is concerned you are to look for payment to the person who is actually giving you instructions - at present, therefore, to myself.

Would you kindly note that Dr. Brasch is at present in Europe and should he communicate to you his present address you might send a second copy to that address of the copy sent to America which will reach him with some delay but probably more safely.

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12th February, 1937.

Leo Szilard, Esq.,
c/o Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
OXFORD.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent Application Serial
No. 10500 of 1935.

We have received your letter of the 6th instant, and note the arrangements in connection with the further prosecution of this case. Please let us know whether you have sent to Dr. Brasch and Mr. Adam a copy of the Specification and drawings as on file at the American Patent Office. At the same time please indicate whether you have already communicated the contents of our letter to you dated the 25th January last, to these two gentlemen.

Yours faithfully,

H. A. S. H. L. A. K. E.

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14th June, 1937

PER S/S "QUEEN MARY"

Dr. Leo Szilard,
c/o B. Liebowitz, Esq.,
420, Riverside Drive,
New York City,
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent application Serial
No. 10,500 of 1935 relating to Nuclear Transmutation.

Further to our letter of the 30th April last, we are now sending to you enclosed a copy of the further amendment lodged at the United States Patent Office.

The new claims suggested in the amendment are not put forward seriously, and have in fact only been added to the record for the purpose of delaying the issue of this present application. By filing now the claims which are obviously unallowable, we can be certain that the Examiner will not resolve to allow this case. He must at least object that the new claims are not drawn up in accordance with the requirements of the United States practice.

Yours faithfully,

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15th September, 1936

Dr. L. Szilard,
c/o Clarendon Laboratories,
Parkes Road,
OXFORD.

Dear Sir,

Re Your United States Patent Application
Serial No. 10500 of 1935.

Since we have received no reply to our letter of the 8th instant, we assume that you found the response which we have prepared in this matter to be satisfactory. As arranged with you we have accordingly confirmed to our New York Office that the response already despatched to them has your approval and should be filed at the United States Patent Office as soon as possible.

We will communicate with you once more as soon as we have heard that the response has been duly filed.

Yours faithfully,

H. S. Lake

HASELTINE, LAKE & CO.

c/o Clarendon Laboratory,
Parks Road,
OXFORD.

16th January, 1937.

Messrs. Haseltine, Lake & Co.,
LONDON.

Dear Sirs,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of January
8th.

I should be glad if you would let the matter
stand over for a few weeks, as I have concluded an agree-
ment concerning these patents, and I have to make
enquiries in order to find out which party is going
to pay patent expenses.

Yours faithfully,

(Leo Szilard)

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21st. June 1935

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Konsul Isbert Adam,
Stadtgraben 14,
DANZIG

Dear Sir;

Re: United States Patent Application Serial
No. 10500 of 1935-Dr. L. Szilard.

We refer to the account which we sent you on the 13th.
April last amounting to £.14.9.6.

This account was sent you in accordance with instructions
from Dr. Szilard, and we understood that we should be receiving a re-
mittance from you in settlement.

We have not yet received your cheque and we therefore
send you this reminder. Will you please arrange to let us have a re-
mittance without delay.

Yours faithfully,
/-/ Haseltine Lake & Co.

c/o Clarendon Laboratory
Parks Road
Oxford

May 25, 1938

Haseltine, Lake & Co.
London W.C.1

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of your letter, informing me of the examiners communication of April 20. Would you please be kind enough to send a copy of the letter which you sent me and also of the further information which you are going to send me to Dr. Brasch, 123, E. 38th Street, New York City, and another copy to Consul Isbert Adam, Stadtgraben 14, ^{Danzig}/Free City of Danzig. It has been previously arranged that Dr. Brasch should get copies of every correspondence with me, but now I should like also Mr. Adam to have such copies until further notice.

I am at present in the United States, my address being c/o Liebowitz, 420 Riverside Drive, New York City, and I propose to let you know by cable how to proceed about preparing an interview with the Examiner at Washington.

Thanking you for your information,

Yours very truly,

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27th October, 1938.

Dr. L. Szilard,
c/o B. Liebowitz, Esq.,
420, Riverside Drive,
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

We confirm our letter of the 23rd August last in which we reminded you there was a balance due to us of £11.5.0. Our account was sent to you so long ago as the 30th October, 1937, and since we are anxious to dispose of this old matter we shall be glad if you will let us have an immediate remittance in settlement.

Yours faithfully,

Haseltine Lake

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13th October, 1936.

Dr. L. Szilard.

To

Hasettine, Lake & Co.,

CHARTERED PATENT AGENTS.

Re: Your United States Patent Application No.
 10500 of 1935 - Apparatus for Nuclear
Transmutation.

TO Attending interview with you at our offices when you instructed us to take over the prosecution of the above mentioned United States Patent Application; considering the specification of your Application in conjunction with the official objections thereto; subsequent attendance on you in regard to the objections; redrafting the specification of your Application and preparing new claims; preparation of formal amendment in response to the Official Letter; writing our Associates therewith and payment of our Associates' charges for filing amendment at the United States Patent Office.

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14th October, 1936

Dr. L. Szilard,
c/o Clarendon Laboratories,
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OXFORD.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent Application
Serial No. 10500 of 1935.

We have to inform you that the amendment in connection with your above numbered United States Patent Application has now been duly lodged at the United States Patent Office. We are sending to you enclosed a memorandum of our charges which shows a balance against you amounting to £4. 14. 0. We shall be obliged if you will in due course remit this amount to us.

We are still in communication with our New York Branch Office with a view to endeavouring to find some way of keeping secret that part of the United States record corresponding to the part of your English Patent Application which was divided out and marked "secret" by the British Admiralty. Up to the moment the only feasible solution appears to be to abandon completely your present United States Patent Application. This we take it you will

Dr. L. Szilard,

not readily do, and we are attempting to make further enquiries as to a possible alternative. The real difficulty lies in the fact that your basic English case has already been Sealed and the Patent formally granted so that if we drop the present United States Patent Application and re-file the Application afresh, such re-filed Application would apparently have to be refused by the United States Patent Office since there would be a corresponding English Patent applied for more than one year before the making of the re-filed Application, such English Patent having also been finally Sealed before the making of the re-filed United States Patent Application.

We hope at a later date to be able to give you further advice concerning the maintaining of the secrecy of the now deleted part of the United States record, and we should be obliged in turn if you would let us know if the Admiralty should inform you that it is no longer desired that your secret Divisional Application in England, should remain secret.

Yours faithfully,

Walter Lawrence

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8th January, 1937.

Dr. L. Szilard,
c/o Clarendon Laboratories,
Parkes Road,
OXFORD.

Dear Sir,

We confirm our letter of the 2nd ultimo reminding you of our Statement rendered 10th November last for £4.14.0. We shall be glad if you will forward us an early remittance in settlement so that we may balance our books to the end of last year.

Yours faithfully,

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5th April, 1937.

Dr. Leo Szilard,
c/o B. Liebowitz, Esq.,
420, Riverside Drive,
New York City, N.Y.

per s.s. "BERENGARIA".

Dear Sir,

re United States Patent Application
No. 10500 of 1935.

As requested when you called at this Office recently, we are now sending to you enclosed a copy of the Specification as we originally prepared it for you in connection with the above matter.

You will recall that on the 25th March last we wrote to you sending a proposed response for your approval. As the result of a subsequent discussion which took place at this Office with you, our proposed response was amended by the cancellation of the first page and the substitution of two new pages therefor. The remaining pages of the response were numbered 3 to 8, and old page 3 was replaced by new pages 4 and 5. In order that you might bring your copy of the response into agreement with that finally despatched to our United

Dr. Leo Szilard,

States Branch Office, we are sending to you enclosed duplicates
of the new pages 1, 2, 4 and 5.

Yours faithfully,

Harold Urey

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NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent Application
Serial No. 10500 of 1935.

Further to our letter of the 5th instant, we have to inform you that our New York Branch Office duly attended to the filing of the prepared response. It was our intention to delay the filing for a month or so longer, but owing to a slight inter-Office misunderstanding, the response has been filed almost immediately. However, we do not think that this will prejudice you materially, and that there is every possibility of a further Official Action being issued before the case is allowed.

In accordance with the arrangement which we made with you prior to your leaving this country, we have sent on our account made out in your name to Konsul Isbert Adam. We understand that Konsul Adam will communicate with you in order to confirm

Dr. Leo Szilard,

the arrangement.

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30th October, 1937.

Dr. L. Szilard.re: Your United States Patent Application No.
10500 of 1935.

TO: Receiving further official letter of objection in respect of the above mentioned Application; obtaining copies of the various publications referred to in the official letter; considering these publications in conjunction with your Application, and attending interviews with you in regard to the objections; preparing Response in reply to the official letter, writing our Associates therewith and their services in filing amendment at the Washington Patent Office.
Paid Associates' charges, for copies of publications and incidental expenses.

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London,
March, 1938.

Messrs. Haseltine, Lake & Co. and
Mr. Derick R. Martin wish to state
that Mr. Derick R. Martin has had
no connection with Messrs. Haseltine,
Lake & Co. either as a partner or
otherwise since 1st July, 1937.

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13th April, 1938.

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3rd June, 1938.

L. Szilard Esq.,
c/o Liebowitz,
420, Riverside Drive,
New York City,
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

re Your United States Patent Application
No. 10500 relating to apparatus for
nuclear transmutation.

We duly received your letter of the 25th ultimo and have now despatched copies of our letter of the 14th ultimo to Dr. Brasch and Consul Isbert Adam.

We shall await your cable instructions foreshadowed in the last paragraph of your letter under reply.

Yours faithfully,

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28th February, 1944.

Dr. L. Szilard,
1155, East 57th Street,
CHICAGO, Ill.,
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

re: United States Patent No. 2,161,985.

We have your letter of the 18th ultimo.

According to our records, in September, 1936, we took over the prosecution of your United States Patent Application No. 10500 of 1935 for "Apparatus for Nuclear Transmutation" and this, presumably, is the Application to which you refer. On the 6th August, 1938, you informed us that you were placing the further prosecution of this Application in other hands.

We rendered you three accounts in connection with this Application, the first being for £14.14.0, the second for £9.15.6, and the last one for £11.5.0. You paid us the amounts of the first two accounts but the last account is still unpaid. We enclose a copy of this account and look forward to receiving your remittance in settlement.

We note your request that we cable you information as to the amount you paid to us in respect of this Application, but having regard to the fact that there is already an amount due to us of £11.5.0 we are not disposed to advance any further expenses; we trust, however, that this letter will reach you by the 15th proximo.

Yours faithfully,

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