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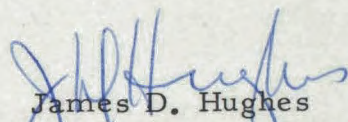
Dear Dr. Szilard:

In the temporary absence of the Vice President from Washington, I would like to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of October 16 in which you request an interview with him following the election to discuss your recent conversation with Mr. Khrushchev.

While the Vice President's schedule after November 8 is very uncertain, I know that he would want to see you, especially in view of his vital interest in this extremely important area of foreign policy. Therefore, I will try to work something out after the election and will be in touch with you at a later date.

I know that the Vice President would want me to extend his very best wishes to you.

Sincerely,


James D. Hughes
Appointment Secretary
to the Vice President

November 4, 1960

James D. Hughes
Office of the Vice President
Senate Office Building
WASHINGTON D.C.

Dear Mr. Hughes,

Many thanks for your letter of November 1st. May I suggest that you call me over the telephone at Extension 133, the Memorial Hospital, New York, TRafalgar 9-3000, after the elections when you are ready to set up an appointment? If this extension does not answer, please do not leave a message, because messages are cheerfully accepted but not reliably delivered at the hospital.

I am tied up over the weekend November 12 and 13 in New York; otherwise I have so far no commitments for November. If my condition does not change for the worse, I plan to leave New York for Moscow some time after November 20. I am supposed to be in Moscow on November 27 at the latest and I might stay there, depending on circumstances, for a period of up to three weeks as a guest of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR.

I am grateful for your giving your attention to this matter.

Yours very sincerely,

LEO SZILARD

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Miss Pendleton, secretary to Mr. Hughes in the Vice President's Office called, with reference to your letter of November 4. Mr. Hughes is travelling with the Vice President at the moment and according to present plans the Vice President will not be back in Washington until after you leave for Russia. Mr. Hughes asks if you will get in touch with him on your return from Russia, please.

Miss Pendleton's telephone number: Capital 4-3121, Ext.2951.

Please call Dr. Nickson (ext. 582)

(the nurse says the other two drugs will be here later in the afternoon)