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NEW YORK, N. Y.

February 19, 1942

Dr. Leo Szilard  
Kings Crown Hotel  
420 West 116th Street  
New York City

Dear Mr. Szilard:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation of February 14, 1942, in which we agreed that you and Mr. Adam will each pay one-half of the renewal fees of the English Patent No. 440023, payable to Claremont Haynes & Company, Vernon House, Sicilian Avenue, Bloomsberry Square, London, W. C. 1, on or before March 12, 1942.

It has been our understanding that the fact or method of payment of these annual patent fees and of the contribution of either party thereto is and always has been without prejudice to either party's rights, and that no conclusions as to either party's rights or duties toward each other can be drawn from such payment or contribution.

Please send me your check for Twenty-two (\$22.00) Dollars, if possible by return mail, and Mr. Adam will then pay the patent fee as requested in Claremont Haynes & Company's letter of December 24, 1941, by cable.

Very truly yours,

*Gunther Jacobson*

GUNTHER JACOBSON

GJ:dv



420 West 116th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

February 27, 1942

Mr. Gunther Jacobs,  
36 West 44th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

Enclosed please find check for  
\$22.00 in response to your letter of February 19th.

Very truly yours,

Leo Szilard



420 West 116th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

March 25, 1942

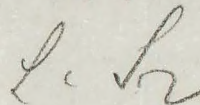
REGISTERED MAIL

Mr. Gunther Jacobson,  
Attorney at law,  
36 West 44th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jacobson:

I refer to your letter of February 19, 1942.  
In response to that letter, I sent you on February 27  
a check for \$22.00. I would appreciate your acknow-  
ledging the receipt of the check and your advising me  
whether Mr. Adam has paid the patent fee in accordance  
with the last paragraph in your letter of February 19,  
1942.

Very truly yours,



Leo Szilard

cc: Regular mail

ls/j



GUNTHER JACOBSON

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36 WEST 44TH STREET  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

September 3rd, 1947.

Dr. Leo Szilard,  
1155 East 57th Street,  
Chicago, Ill.

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Re: Adam

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Upon request of Mr. Adam, I have been going over the files of the Adam case.

They show that the compromise effectuated in 1943 was based on your sworn statement of September 9, 1943, showing that you had certain bank accounts and that you had sold certain stock of the Eldorado Gold mines and redeemed certain war bonds. This sworn statement gave a picture of misery, particularly since Mr. Moses, from letters received by you, had stated to me that your position in Chicago had not been renewed and that your employment under the old contract with the government was to terminate in 1943.

In view of information received by Mr. Adam that you had a key position in the atomic project, I have come to a conclusion that our settlement was based upon a misrepresentation and I hereby rescind it. Mr. Adam advanced to you about \$15,000.00, which enabled you to achieve the very position in the atomic project, which you now hold. I therefore feel that he should receive back at least the full amount of the moneys from which you derived so ample benefits. Demand is therefore made for an additional payment of \$6,000.00.

Mr. Adam will not feel bound to this figure in the event of your non-compliance with this demand. Interest on the amounts paid you in 1937 would constitute a large sum. Mr. Adam has spent over \$20,000.00 in this matter and you will therefore agree that the demand is moderate.

Very truly yours,

*Gunther Jacobson*  
GUNTHER JACOBSON

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Correspondence regarding  
Patent 263,017 - Apparatus for  
Nuclear Transmutation - Fermi et al  
including contractual corresp,  
with attorneys and J. Adam.



University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Ill.

October 13, 1947

Mr. Gunther Jacobson  
36 West 44th Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jacobson:

I have your letter of the 3rd of September. The statement which you mention in it and which is dated September 9th, 1943 covered those points which I understood at that time you desired to have covered in it. It characterized correctly my financial position at the time but did not touch upon my ability to earn money through employment. However, it happens to be a fact that at the time when I signed that statement I was not on the payroll of the Metallurgical Laboratory of the University of Chicago and that I had been off that payroll for some time prior to my signing of the statement. Incidentally, it is rather difficult to believe that the settlement reached in the fall of 1933 could have been based by Mr. Adam on any statement made by me at that time, in view of the fact that at that time Mr. Adam had a law suit pending against me in which he alleged fraudulent misrepresentation on my part. One should think that Mr. Adam would have asked for proof for any statement made by me at that time if he intended to take the statement as a basis of his own actions. But however that may be, if I should be called upon to furnish proof of my statements by ~~THE BANKERS~~ some court which might hold that the burden of proof is on me, proof of the veracity of the statements made by me at the time when the settlement was ~~MADE~~ made (in the fall of 1943) will be forthcoming.

It seems to me that Mr. Adam has not only no case but that he has not even the shadow of a case. If he wishes to bring



suit just for the sake of the fun of it, you had better think of something which has at least a semblance of a case.

Incidentally, just to keep the record straight, the statement contained in your letter that I occupy at present an important position in the atomic project does not correspond to the facts. I have at present no connection whatsoever with any of the atomic projects.

Faithfully yours,

Leo Szilard



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Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

*Adm*  
*7/9/47*