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July 29, 1957

Dr. Hans E. Suess Scripps Institute of Oceanography La Jolla, California

Dear Suess,

Telegdi had mentioned to me that he discussed with you whether in building up physics at La Jolla you might not do well to try to get Nandor Balazs to join you there particularly in view of his passionate interest in classical physics.

Telegdi is away on vacation now, and I wondered whether you had occasion to discuss this in the meantime with Carl Eckhart and what he thought of this proposition. The reason for my inquiry is that I was thinking about some other possibilities for Balazs, that might not be quite as favorable as La Jolla (that should be a steadily growing operation in a pleasant climate) but I did not want to explore these other possibilities until I have heard from you whether you are considering Balazs for some suitable position. Balazs' situation here in Chicago is quite satisfactory so that there is really no hurry in any case.

With kind regards to all,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

cc: V. L. Telegdi

Dr. Leo Szilard
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Dear Dr. Szilard:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 29. Harmon Craig and I were recently in Chicago, and Telegdi and other people told us about the excellent scientific reputation of Nandor Balazs. We have been doing everything possible to spread this around here at Scripps.

The future development of the new campus of the University of California at La Jolla is still somewhat obscure. I think that it will be another year or two before further attempts will be made to bring outstanding young people here. My personal feeling is that perhaps a few new leading personalities will first have to join the faculties for more definite planning.

Many thanks again for your advice, and best regards from

H. E. Suess

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August 9, 1957

Dr. H. E. Suess Scripps Institution of Oceanography La Jolla, California

Dear Dr. Suess:

Many thanks for your prompt reply of August 2nd. As I wrote you in my letter, there is no reason for hurry in this case.

I shall be watching with interest the general development of your new campus.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

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Leo Szilard

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