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Dear Dr. Szilard:

A few months ago Victor Weisskopf showed me a draft of your article on arms control which was recently published in the Bulletin. I was deeply impressed by it, although, Daedalus being a quarterly publication instead of a monthly, it would have taken too long to get your article into print in our journal. But largely as a result of reading your article and having my feelings reenforced by the urgency that emanates from it, I decided then to devote the next possible issue of our journal entirely to the problem of arms control and national policy. I enclose a tentative table of prospective contents of the September Issue.

Most of the articles are now in hand, although in rough and unedited form in some cases. The large majority of the articles, is, in my opinion, excellent, and the Issue may be expected to contribute substantially to raising the level of discussion and information on this subject. We have great hopes that this Issue, for which Jerome Wiesner is serving as Chairman of the Guest Editorial Board, will turn out to be a handbook on this subject. You remarked on last Sunday's television program that there was a lack of such a source book; I hope we have gone some way toward remedying it. In any case, I shall be very glad to send you any or all of the articles in their present state if you wish. If you feel so inclined, you may perhaps find a chance to send us your comments.

I have long wanted to pay my respects. Since it was actually your essay which triggered the chain of events leading to the collection of these essays, this seems to be an appropriate time to do so.

With my best wishes

Sincerely yours,

Gerald Holton
Editor in Chief of the Academy

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SPECIAL ISSUE: ARMS CONTROL
(The Johnson Foundation Symposium, May 20-21 1960)

General Objectives of Issue: To study Arms Control as a potentially feasible route to eliminating nuclear war and improving security; to illustrate some of the major considerations bearing on national policy decisions; and to illustrate the complexity and magnitude of the task. To be written from the United States' point of view and commented on by foreign experts indicated at the end.

Foreword to the Issue - Jerome B. Wiesner.

I. BACKGROUND OF THE PROBLEM

- 1.1 Goals of Arms Control - Donald G. Brennan.
- 1.2 How Can Agreement be Reached Between Hostile Powers? - Robert R. Bowie.
- 1.3 Characteristics of Recent Arms Control Proposals and Agreements - W. R. Frye.

II. MAJOR ISSUES AND PROBLEMS

- 2.1 The Hazards of the Nuclear Arms Race - Herman Kahn.
- 2.2 On the Feasibility of Arms Controls - Edward Teller.
- 2.3 The Role of the Smaller Powers - P. M. Doty.
- 2.4 The Inclusion of China in an Arms Control Program - A. Doak Barnett.
- 2.5 Limited War: Conventional or Nuclear? - Henry A. Kissinger.
- 2.6 Domestic Implications of Arms Control - Kenneth E. Boulding.
- 2.7 Unilateral Disarmament - Erich Fromm.

III. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARMS CONTROL

- 3.1 The Political Feasibility and Diplomatic Prerequisites of Arms Controls - William T. R. Fox.
- 3.2 Techniques of Arms Control - Bernard T. Feld.
- 3.3 Adjudication and Enforcement in Arms Control - Louis B. Sohn.
- 3.4 Limited Arms Control Measures - T. C. Schelling.
- 3.5 Comprehensive Arms Control Programs - Jerome B. Wiesner.

IV. UNITED STATES ARMS CONTROL POLICY AND ITS FORMATION

- 4.1 Decision-Making in the United States Government - Saviile R. Davis.
- 4.2 Government Organization for Arms Control - Hubert H. Humphrey.
- 4.3 Attitude Formation - Ithiel de Sola Pool.

V. BEYOND THE COLD WAR

- 5.1 Arms Control Through World Law - Arthur Larson.
- 5.2 How Can the Economic System of the United States Contribute to Stabilization of a World Without Arms? - Clarence Randall.
- 5.3 The Challenge of a Future Without War - Harrison Brown.

VI. FOREIGN COMMENT - Edited by Victor F. Weisskopf

Brief comments on the foregoing collection of papers from selected foreign experts, including R. Aron, E. K. Fedorov, D. Hammarskjöld, J. Moch, F. E. Noel-Baker, A. Nutting, J. Boyd-Orr, L. Pearson, B. Russell, A. V. Topchiev, S. K. Tsarapkin, C. F. von Weizsäcker, and others.

VII. SELECTED CRITICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY - Edited by Christopher Wright

June 1st. 1960.

Dr. Gerald Holton,
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Dear Dr. Holton,

Many thanks for your kind letter of May 25th. I have just written a 3,500 word article for "Look" magazine on the crucial decision which America must make in the next few years in respect to disarmament. I do not yet know on what date this article will appear but I wondered whether you might like to have it reprinted in DAEDALUS in your special issue, about which you wrote to me. I am enclosing ~~an~~ unedited version of the article.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard.

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September 20, 1960.

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Dear Mr. Holton,

Enclosed is a manuscript which might perhaps interest you. The preface explains the circumstances under which it was written.

I was wondering whether you might be able to use an edited and slightly shortened version of it in your magazine. If you are interested, please let me know.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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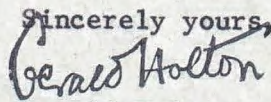
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Dear Dr. Szilard,

We were all most interested to read a copy of your manuscript (enclosed), and are looking forward to the Simon and Schuster book of which this is an abridged version. As you may know, it was indeed a manuscript copy of your earlier article, published since in the February 1960 issue of the Bulletin, which prompted me to schedule, at very short notice, the Arms Control issue of DAEDALUS, which has just appeared. This result may perhaps offset some of the bad ones listed in the footnote on page 6 of this manuscript.

But just as we were in trouble to publish quickly then, so it is again the case now. Being a quarterly which takes a new topic each time, we work ahead for about one year on allocation of topics and space. The next issue is fully given to the topic, The Future Metropolis; beyond that we have already commissioned on topics such as Youth, and Excellence and Leadership in a Democracy. I feel extremely regretful once more to realize that while our approach has great strengths it also cuts us off from material such as yours, the quick publication of which can be assured by weeklies and monthlies that reach a wide audience and that are not handicapped by our twin problem of long-time delays and the need for putting out integrated issues on varying single topics.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Gerald Holton
Editor in Chief

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