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June 14, 1956

Professor Leo Szilard  
1155 East 57th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Dr. Zinn referred your letter of May 28, 1956 to me for suitable action.

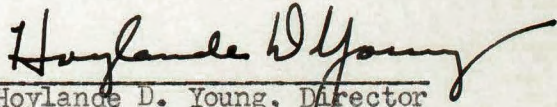
If I am correct, you do not have a clearance at the present time which would permit access to documents classified "Secret" and "Confidential", and I gather from your letter that most of the documents about which you were writing, are so stamped.

With your permission I will go through the file and declassify anything which can be declassified on the spot, take suitable action in regard to the other items, and do everything that I can to achieve declassification of the contents of the file and return those contents to you. I cannot guarantee complete success. We didn't do so well the last time but I will try, with your permission.

Yours very truly,

ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY

By

  
Hoyland D. Young, Director  
Information Division

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January 24, 1957

Miss Hoylande Young  
Argonne National Laboratory  
P. O. Box 299  
Lemont, Illinois

Dear Miss Young:

I have received no acknowledgment from Marshall's office of the receipt of the letter which I wrote him on October 25 of last year, of which I had sent you a copy at that time.

Therefore, I have written Mr. Marshall again today, and you will find a copy of my letter enclosed.

Since the documents in question have been sent by you to the Washington office of the A.E.C., I wonder whether it would be possible for you to intervene in this matter and to ask that these documents be returned to you for safekeeping until such time as there is some further disposition of the matter?

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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Encl.



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January 31, 1961

Dr. Leo Szilard  
c/o Enrico Fermi Institute for  
Nuclear Studies  
5630 Ellis Avenue  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Enclosed herewith are six (6) Manhattan Project letters and memoranda, listed below, which are now declassified:

1. Letter dated 7-4-45, Szilard to Cohn
2. Undated Petition by scientific personnel of Clinton Laboratories
3. Letter dated 7-19-45, Szilard to Compton
4. Memo dated 7-24-45, Compton to Nichols
5. Letter dated 8-27-45, Murray to Szilard
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In addition to the above, there are also enclosed four (4) other Manhattan Project documents which a review has indicated were previously declassified and in some cases published in whole or part. These are:

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These documents were transmitted to the AEC for declassification review some time ago. They have just recently been received from Harry S. Traynor, Assistant General Manager, AEC.



Leo Szilard

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January 31, 1961

Please note carefully the following paragraph which Mr. Traynor included in his letter of transmittal:

"It is suggested that if any of these documents are publicized, that the names of the individuals therein be deleted or their permission be secured to use their names."

I am pleased that these documents have finally come through and I am sure that you will be.

With my very best personal regards.

Very truly yours,

ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY

By Hoylande D. Young  
Hoylande D. Young, Director  
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TELEGRAM WUX LB LEMONT, ILL.

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December 11, 1957

TELETYPE TWX LEMONT, ILL. 1710

Professor Leo Szilard  
Quadrangle Club  
1155 East 57th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Professor Szilard:

Perhaps you have already seen the enclosed picture which appeared in the Chicago Sunday Tribune, December 1, 1957 to commemorate December 2, 1942.

I have been provided with enough copies to send complimentary ones to all of the participants. Here is your copy.

The picture has brought back memories of my first day with the Metallurgical Laboratory. Those were eventful days also and I shall never forget Leo Szilard because of his dedication and concern at that time.

Very truly yours,

ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY

By

*Hoylande D. Young*

Hoylande D. Young, Director  
Information Division

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Encl:as stated above

*ackg.*



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cc: Noreen Mann