

The University of Chicago

The Board of Trustees

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD
ELLIS AVENUE AND FIFTY-EIGHTH STREET

March 20, 1942

Mr. Leo Szilard
Department of Physics

Dear Mr. Szilard:

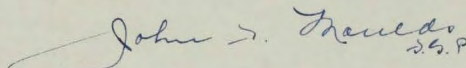
The Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago has appointed you to the following position in the University:

Visiting Research Associate in the Department of Physics
for five months from February 1, 1942, with salary at the
rate of \$550 per month.

This appointment is subject to any reductions in salaries
that the Board of Trustees may enact.

If you wish to accept the appointment, please sign your name
in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice,
returning it to me at once. The receipt of this acceptance is
essential to the record of your appointment in my office, and in
the office of the Comptroller of the University.

Very truly yours,

John D. Truedell
S.S.P.

Secretary

The University of Chicago

The Board of Trustees

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD
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April 11, 1942

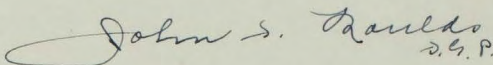
Mr. Leo Szilard
420 West 116th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Report has been received of your resignation of your appointment as Visiting Research Associate in the Department of Physics and your appointment has, therefore, been cancelled as of March 31, 1942.

With all good wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

 John S. Dauldo
S. S. P.

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Secretary

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Metallurgical Laboratory

December 6, 1943

University of Chicago

L. Szilard

Upon receipt of my back salary from January 1, 1943 to date,
my employment by the University of Chicago will become continuous from
February 1, 1942.

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L. S.

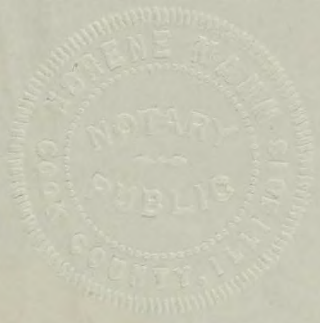
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DR. LEO SZILARD ON

Aug. 29 1954

Warren C. Johnson

Horace Mann

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JULY 18, 1958



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE June 6, 1945

To Leo Szilard DEPARTMENT

FROM Wayne W. Johnson DEPARTMENT

Agreements

IN RE: Employment contract extension

In accordance with Dr. Stearns' memo to you of May 28th, will you please sign all five copies of the attached supplement to your employment contract, retain the original copy for your records, and return the four carbon copies to this office.

Thank you.

Wayne W. Johnson
Wayne W. Johnson
Director of Personnel

WWJ:RW

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE June 20, 1945

TO Dr. L. Szilard

DEPARTMENT Physics

Agreement

FROM Wayne W. Johnson

DEPARTMENT Personnel

IN RE: Employment Contract

The proviso added to your employment contract dated June 6, 1945, has been approved by the Laboratory Director.

h/

Wayne W. Johnson
Wayne W. Johnson
Director of Personnel

The University of Chicago

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

Office of the Comptroller

5750 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 0800

October 25, 1946

Mr. Leo Szilard
c/o Mr. Paul Weiss
5816 Blackstone Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Chancellor

Upon recommendation of the ~~PRESIDENT~~, the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago has appointed you to the following position:

Professor in the University on indefinite tenure with salary at the rate of \$6,000 per annum; Professor of Biophysics in the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics and Adviser to the Office of Inquiry into the Social Aspects of Atomic Energy in the Division of the Social Sciences for three years from October 1, 1946, to give service on a one-half time basis as Professor of Biophysics and on a one-half time basis as Adviser.

This is a full-time appointment described in the University Statutes under paragraph 16-c).

It is subject to (1) the provisions of the Statutes of the University as adopted by the Board of Trustees and any future amendments thereto, and (2) any reduction in salaries that the Board of Trustees may enact.

A copy of the Statutes and a pamphlet describing the Contributory Group Insurance Plan, together with an application card, are enclosed. Your attention is especially called to the provisions of Statute 19, Contributory Retiring Allowances, and Statute 20, Contributory Group Life Insurance.

If you wish to accept the appointment, please sign your name in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice and return at once to the Office of the Comptroller.

The receipt of this acceptance, together with the signed application card for the group insurance, will be required before the appointment is effective.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By William Linton
Asst. Comptroller

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Enclosures
Statutes
G.I.B.
G.I.C.

returned Nov 9th 1946
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THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF YOUR PRESENCE
AS THEIR GUEST AT THE
ANNUAL DINNER
GIVEN BY THEM TO MEMBERS OF THE FACULTIES
AT THE SOUTH SHORE COUNTRY CLUB
ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, JANUARY THE NINTH
AT SIX O'CLOCK

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 0800

August 5, 1949

Mr. Leo Szilard
c/o P. A. Weiss
5816 Blackstone Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has adjusted your appointment effective October 1, 1949 to the following:

Professor of Biophysics in the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics on indefinite tenure from October 1, 1949 and Adviser to the Office of Inquiry into the Social Aspects of Atomic Energy in the Division of the Social Sciences for one year from October 1, 1949 with salary at the rate of \$7,000 per annum, to give service on a one-half-time basis each as Professor and as Adviser for one year from October 1, 1949 and on a full-time basis as Professor thereafter.

This is a full-time appointment as described in University Statute 16, paragraph c.

It cancels and supersedes your previous appointment as of September 30, 1949.

If you wish to accept the appointment please sign your name in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice and return at once to the Office of the Comptroller.

The receipt of this acceptance will be required before the appointment is effective.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By *H. C. Daines*
Comptroller #

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The University of Chicago

The University Library

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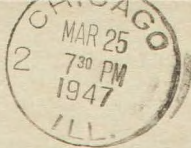
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2nd Notice

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LIBRARY

By M S

Penalty for late return: On books drawn for two weeks—3 cents per day the first week and 25 cents per day thereafter. On reserved books—15 cents for the first hour plus 5 cents for each additional hour after the time appointed for return.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Leo Szilard
~~6200 Drexel~~
City Quadrangle Club

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE August 23, 1949

TO Mr. Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Biophysics


FROM Sol Tax, Associate Dean

DEPARTMENT Social Science

IN RE: Space.

I am sorry that I cannot improve your room situation substantially. I am moving you to room 510 where you will share the office with Mr. Weiszacher, who will be here during the next quarter.

I expect that the Committee on Social Thought, which occupies two cubby-holes on the fifth floor for their secretaries, will have space for your secretary in one of them.



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5801 ELLIS AVENUE

TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

October 6, 1949

Mr. Leo Szilard
Radiobiology & Biophysics

Dear Mr. Szilard:

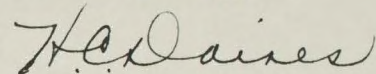
In accordance with the Statute of the University, the change in salary effective with your new appointment carries with it an increase in the premium to be paid under your annuity policy with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America.

As you probably know, the University will contribute 5 per cent of your regular salary up to a maximum of \$500 per annum toward the payment of premiums on an annuity policy maturing at age 65, providing you will contribute an equal amount. (Contribution by the faculty member of 5 per cent of salary up to \$300 per annum is required but payment in excess of this amount up to \$500 per annum is optional, the University matching 5 per cent of salary up to a maximum amount of \$500 per annum.)

A rider, specifying the amount of the increased annuity purchased by the additional premium, will be issued by the Association and attached to your policy. As soon as this is received, we shall advise you concerning the amount of the additional annuity purchased.

For purposes of record, will you kindly sign and return both copies of the enclosed salary deduction agreement as promptly as possible.

Yours cordially,



Comptroller.

The University of Chicago

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

1155 East 57th Street
October 7, 1949

Mr. H. C. Daines, Comptroller
The University of Chicago
Administration Building
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Daines:

Enclosed you will find a carbon copy of your letter of August 5, 1949, countersigned by me. I take your letter to mean that for the coming academic year my position will be unchanged except for the salary and at the end of the academic year my position will revert to that specified in my original appointment by the University except for the salary.

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

LS/sds
Enclosure

Copy to: Dean Coggeshall
Dean Tyler

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

January 13, 1950

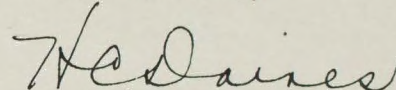
Mr. Leo Szilard
Department of Radiobiology & Biophysics

Dear Mr. Szilard:

This is to **inform** you that we have recently received a rider from the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America, which is being attached to your retirement annuity policy A49903. This calls for additional monthly annuity at age 65 of \$ 4.62 which represents the additional annuity purchased by an additional monthly premium of \$4.18.

Under the terms of policies issued by the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, it is possible to increase the annuity payable beginning at age 65 (if desired) through the payment of an additional monthly premium, which can be deducted from your salary. Blanks for arranging this may be obtained in the Office of the Comptroller.

Yours cordially,


Comptroller.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE May 14, 1950

TO Ernest C. Colwell, President

DEPARTMENT Central Administration

FROM Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Social Science
Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

IN RE: Expense Account

In our last conversation you pointed out to me that the continuation of my expense account in the Social Science Division is not desirable in its present form because of the amount of bookkeeping which is involved. In view of the very large expenditure which the University incurs every year for the maintenance of red-tape, I became on further reflection impressed by your argument. On the other hand, the remedy which you suggested, to add to my salary the sum which otherwise would go into my expense account, has the following disadvantages:

- 1). By adding the amount of the expense account to my salary, this amount acquires "tenure" which it would not otherwise have.
- 2). A conflict arises in every single instance between the desire to spend a certain amount for a purpose (which appears useful but which might ultimately turn out to be useless) and the desire to save that amount for ~~our~~ private purposes.
- 3). Last and not least there is a loss due to the unnecessary increase in taxable income.

In the following I propose an expedient which avoids these disadvantages and which to my mind has no disadvantage other than novelty. To me it seems that the absence of a precedent is outweighed in this instance by the possibility of creating a useful precedent.

This then is my proposal:

- 1). The sum, which the University is willing to grant me for expenditures which I judge to be necessary, shall be given to me as a yearly "bonus" added to my salary in a manner which does not confer "tenure" on this bonus.
- 2). I shall keep an account of my expenditures. From what is left over at the end of the budget year I shall deduct 10% to provide an incentive for myself to save as much as possible and the remainder I shall donate to the University in the course of the next budget year.
- 3). An accounting of my expenditures will be submitted by me every year, not to the Comptroller but to the Central Administration, *or the Deans Office* where it may be kept on file affording an opportunity to check without involving a necessity for checking.
- 4). A letter from the University stating that my expenses do not represent reimbursable expenditure would enable me to deduct these expenses from income tax, and similarly my yearly donation to the University would be deductible from income tax up to 15% of my income.

Ernest C. Colwell -2

May 14, 1950

While I do not wish to raise at this time the issue, I believe that this kind of arrangement represents a pattern which could be followed in certain other cases and could result in a considerable saving to the University in the present huge expenditure for research which is incurred by the Institutes. This is one of my reasons for urging that the above proposal be adopted in my case, where a precedent can be created and some experience gained, without incurring any appreciable risk.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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DATE June 6, 1940

TO Mr. Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Institute of Radiobiology and
Biophysics

FROM E. C. Colwell

DEPARTMENT Central Administration

IN RE:

Dear Professor:

I found no enthusiasm for your proposal for an expense account among my colleagues in the Central Administration, and Mr. Tyler says that no appropriation for your support in any way appears in his budget for the coming year, and that therefore this question should be decided in the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics.

Sincerely yours,

Pompey Colwell

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

JUN 7 1950

Mr. Leo Szilard
c/o P. A. Weiss
5816 Blackstone Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has adjusted your appointment effective July 1, 1950 to the following:

Professor of Biophysics in the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics from July 1, 1950 through September 30, 1951 with a salary at the rate of \$7,000 per annum from July 1, 1950 through September 30, 1950 and at the rate of \$8,000 per annum from October 1, 1950 through September 30, 1951.

This is a full-time appointment as described in University Statute 16, paragraph c. It cancels and supersedes your previous appointment as of June 30, 1950.

If you wish to accept the appointment, please sign your name in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice and return at once to the Office of the Comptroller.

The receipt of this acceptance will be required before the appointment is effective.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By H. C. Daines
Comptroller

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June 29, 1950

Mr. Merle C. Coulter
Associate Dean
Division of the Biological Sciences
The University of Chicago

Dear Mr. Coulter:

I am enclosing a memorandum which I have sent to Dr. Hogness containing my recommendations in regard to Lee. I would appreciate your examining the contents of this memorandum, and I hope that you will find it possible to approve the appointment suggested therein which, I understand, our Institute will send through to you.

If you find it impossible to approve this appointment, I would appreciate your letting me know as soon as possible.

Incidentally, I have looked into the situation in the Institutes of Nuclear Studies and Metals. I find that their rank of research assistant means something entirely different from what that rank at present means in the Biological Sciences Division. These two Institutes work mostly with graduate students, and research assistants are almost exclusively graduate students who work in the Institutes on a half-time basis.

I think we shall have to consider, therefore, when we move into the new building with them, the advisability of calling ~~all our~~ research assistants perhaps "research aids" or "assistant researchers" or something of the sort, in order to distinguish them from the "research assistants" of the other two Institutes.

Sincerely yours,

LS/sds

Leo Szilard

1155 East 57th Street
Chicago 37, Illinois
July 11, 1950

Mr. Ernest C. Colwell
President of the University
5801 Ellis Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Colwell:

At the suggestion of Dr. Coggeshall, I saw you early this year and gave you a memorandum concerning my salary. When I saw you recently, you told me that this memorandum has not as yet received full consideration and that I might therefore ask that it be reconsidered. Encouraged by this, I am enclosing for your convenience a copy of the memorandum with the request that it be reconsidered at this time.

Enclosed is further a statement which shows that in the current budget year my expenses will probably exceed my income from the University by \$2000 which will have to come out of savings.

In the past year, I had an expense account of \$1500 per year with the University, ~~and~~ of which I spent about half for secretarial services and about half for travel expenses. No expense account is provided in the budget for the current year and therefore if I continue to be active outside of the field of experimental biology, these \$1500 will have to come out of my salary or out of my savings.

Further in order to maintain the continuity of my work in the Institute of Radiobiology (which happens to go very well at this time) I had to commit myself to supplement Dr. Novick's salary with about \$1000 and to promise to bring up the salary of our technician to \$275 a month.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

1155 E. 57th Street
Chicago 37, Illinois
November 9, 1950

The Comptroller
University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Sir:

The pay check which you issued to me for the month of October, 1950, was for an amount which is higher than the amount specified in my employment contract which is at present in force. The amount shown on the check corresponded to the amount named in a new employment contract which you sent to me but which I did not sign and which is therefore not in force.

I have, therefore, turned in my pay check for October to Dr. Hogness's office with a request that they forward it to you and request that a pay check in the amount corresponding to the employment contract which is at present in force be sent to me instead.

Very truly yours,



Leo Szilard

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cc: Thorfin R. Hogness

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

DEC 21 1950

Mr. Leo Szilard
1155 East 57th Street
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has adjusted your appointment effective October 1, 1950 to the following:

Professor of Biophysics from October 1, 1950 on indefinite tenure, to give service for the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics with salary at the rate of \$9,500 per annum.

This is a full-time, four-quarter appointment as described in University Statute 16, paragraph c.

This cancels and supersedes your previous appointment as of September 30, 1950.

If you wish to accept the appointment, please sign your name in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice and return at once to the Office of the Comptroller.

The receipt of this acceptance will be required before the appointment is effective.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By W. A. Daines

NOTE.—All academic appointments to the staff of The University of Chicago are subject to (1) the provisions of the Statutes of the University as adopted or amended by the Board of Trustees, and (2) any reductions in salaries that may be enacted by the Board of Trustees.

TABLE ASSIGNMENTS OF GUESTS

for the

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL DINNER

given by THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

for the MEMBERS OF THE FACULTIES

of THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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for membership
in membership

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SOUTH SHORE COUNTRY CLUB

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Prof. Proctor [Dr. Sam Goldblath]
Prof. Campbell William

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and Biophysics

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE January 29, 1951

TO Faculty of Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics (See list below) DEPARTMENT IRB
FROM L. T. Coggeshall, M.D. DEPARTMENT Biological Sciences

IN RE Appointment of Director of Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

The three-year term of Dr. Thorfin Hogness as Director of the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics expires on June 30, 1951.

In accordance with the University Statutes (Article X, 2, b - see page 47) the department is hereby notified of the vacancy and asked for suggestions as to the appointment or reappointment of a director. I will be glad to receive your suggestions either in writing or by word of mouth. If I receive no suggestions from you by April 15, I shall assume you are endorsing the reappointment of Dr. Hogness for another three-year term.

cc: T. R. Hogness
R. E. Zirkle
✓ Leo Szillard
Wm. Bloom
R. J. Moon
G. Marmont
Robt. D. Boche
Aaron Novick

L. T. Coggeshall

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 · ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

April 30, 1951

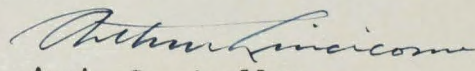
Mr. Leo Szilard
Radiobiology & Biophysics Depart.

Dear Mr. Szilard:

This is to inform you that we have recently received a rider from the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America, which is being attached to your retirement annuity policy **A-49903**. This calls for additional monthly annuity at age 65 of **\$12.65** which represents the additional annuity purchased by an additional monthly premium of **\$12.50**.

Under the terms of policies issued by the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, it is possible to increase the annuity payable beginning at age 65 (if desired) through the payment of an additional monthly premium, which can be deducted from your salary. Blanks for arranging this may be obtained in the Office of the Comptroller.

Yours cordially,


Asst. Comptroller.

P-i-a-7/1/41

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER
CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5601 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

MAY 9 1951

Mr. Leo Szilard
Institute of Radiobiology & Biophysics
The University of Chicago

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has increased your salary to \$10,000 per annum effective October 1, 1951; and has re-appointed you as Adviser in the Division of Social Sciences for one year from October 1, 1951 on a four-quarter (16, c) basis without salary.

All other terms of your current appointment contract remain the same.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By W.C. Daines
Comptroller#

*Copies returned to Comptroller
on May 30/51
W.C.*

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NOTE.—All academic appointments to the staff of The University of Chicago are subject to (1) the provisions of the Statutes of the University as adopted or amended by the Board of Trustees, and (2) any reductions in salaries that may be enacted by the Board of Trustees.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

June 6, 1951

Dear Leo:

I enclose a redraft of the advertisement.

For the most part it is unchanged. In the first paragraph I have added some words about "tensions" to suggest that even short of actual war this may not be the best place for children. But I think the statement is not argumentative.

The paragraph dealing with age levels etc. has been considerably modified. I still don't think it is very good. The whole matter of registration, except for establishing the general age level, is one of detail. It does not fit well in the general sense of the piece which starts out as something interesting and tends to run down hill when it takes up such detail. Moreover, many other details which are at least as important are necessarily omitted.

This morning, (after writing this draft last night) I talked with Hutchins for an hour or so. He thinks the idea of the school is good--seems to take it seriously. He says the difficulty may arise in getting students, because people with money are so much moved by respectability. The Eastern preparatory schools have been started mostly by a few rich and respectable folk who have had a special confidence in some respectable young man. What can we do to increase our respectability at least to the public, or are we respectable enough? Hutchins also suggested that we might get someone to give us the school. He mentioned one of my wife's relatives, Lamot duPont, who has a staggering estate in Cuba, which he offered to give to Hutchins a year ago, but for which Hutchins couldn't think of any use. Cuba is not as good as Mexico and I don't see any great advantage in having one man give us the plant as compared with having 150 men do it. But I do believe that the fact that the plant was given to us by one of the duPonts might be just the ticket for creating acceptance of the idea. Maybe we can think of someone who would give us a plant in Mexico City. But Cuba isn't a bad place.† As headmaster, Hutchins suggests his brother who now runs the Asheville School. This isn't a bad idea either. Moreover, if we had a line on a man who was known in secondary education, we could move much faster and get much more interest. I am sure we will encounter resistance even from any enthusiast

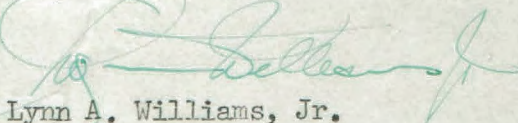
Mr. Leo Szilard

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June 6, 1951

when and if we have to say that the matter of a headmaster is a detail for later consideration.

Very truly yours,



Lynn A. Williams, Jr.
Vice President

LAW:ad
Enclosure

Mr. Leo Szilard
Carnegie Institute For Genetics
Cold Spring Harbor, New York

WHERE WILL YOUR CHILDREN SPEND THE WAR?

If you believe that war within three years is more likely than not, if you believe that this war will be long and its course unpredictable, if you want your children to grow up in a peaceful setting free of current tensions, yet prepared to live in the world which they will have to face when older, please communicate with me as soon as you conveniently can.

Depending upon the response to this advertisement, my associate and I propose to establish a boarding school in Mexico City for a limited group of carefully selected children. We hope to have in this school an outstanding educational program under the direction of an unusually able staff and to provide a climate physical, intellectual, and moral which will enable the graduates to live as they may choose in the United States, in South America, or elsewhere.

I am a scientist at present holding a professorship at one of the leading American universities. Heretofore my life has been centered around pure research, but I now feel that it is more important to try to preserve what is best in our culture than to advance further our state of scientific knowledge.

Associated with me in this enterprise I expect to have a man who has had fifteen years experience as an executive of a well-known manufacturing firm, who has since turned to education and who has been for the past several years a key administrative officer of a well-known University.

The school is to be established as a cooperative, owned by those whose children attend the school and by those who may wish to reserve places for a later date.

The minimum age for entrance is nine, but registration may be made three years prior. The program will carry students to a point comparable to that of Eastern preparatory schools or European . Registration will initially be limited to American children, but Mexican children may enter at a later date when a portion of the instruction for all children will be conducted in Spanish.

My associate and I propose to meet with some of the parents who are interested in this plan and we expect that our plans may undergo some modifications in details through such discussion.

If you write, please give enough information about yourself and your child to permit our selection of a number of dissimilar situations for our preliminary discussions.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE March 3, 1952

TO Mr. Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Institute of Radiobiology and
Biophysics

FROM W. L. Thaggard

DEPARTMENT Asst. Comptroller

IN RE: Medical Research No. 149 Account No. 3-3250-00-1683

Enclosed is original of final report covering the above referenced account for funds received from the United States Public Health Service under Grant No. E-144.

Will you please sign the report in the space provided in the lower left hand corner of page one and return the report to this office for transmittal to the United States Public Health Service. A copy of this report will be sent to you for your files at the same time the report is sent to the Government.

Appropriations equal to the amount shown in Line 10, "Free or Unencumbered Balance," are being cancelled as of this day.

TAK:NR
Encl.

*Signed & returned
3/6/52
eds*

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE April 10, 1952

TO Mr. Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Institute of Radiobiology and
Biophysics

FROM W. L. Thaggard

DEPARTMENT Asst. Comptroller

IN RE: Navy Bacterial Virus Research Account No. 3-3250-00-1746

In accord with the letter of February 5, 1952 from Mr. Harrell, we have opened the above-referenced account to cover the project to be conducted in the Institute of Radiobiology for the period January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952. The budget has been set up as follows:

3-3250-00-1746	Navy Bacterial Virus Research	
-20-	Salaries	5,400
-33-	Annuity	150
-34-	Travel	300
-35-	Consumable Supplies	500
-90-	Overhead	<u>2,484</u>
	Total	<u>\$8,834</u>

The amounts set up for overhead and annuities are not available for expenditure by you. The usual commitment papers should be used for the individuals whose salaries are to be charged to this contract. Please refer to the enclosed letter covering "Special Procedures for Monthly Rated Employees Charged to Navy Contracts". *Will be handled by Mr. Short's office.*

Subaccount 35 may be committed and expended in accord with the regular procedures of the University except that:

- ✓ 1. Prior approvals must be obtained from the Contracting Officer as provided in the contract. *- Anything costing over 5% of the total grant, i.e. approx. \$400.00.*
- ✓ 2. Each Purchase Request (Form 100R) must bear the notation "Government Contract - Invoice in triplicate". *(Done automatically in Purchasing Office.)*

✓ The amount set up in subaccount No. 34 for travel may be committed and expended in accord with the procedure set forth in the Departmental Manual, *i.e. usual procedure should be followed.*

All expenditures applicable to this contract will be subject to detailed audit by Government representatives. It is therefore necessary that special care be taken that only proper charges be made to the above-mentioned accounts.

Those who will be responsible for the paper work in connection with this project should read carefully the terms of the contract. If you have any questions regarding the financial administration of the project, please advise.

cc-Mr. Harrell
Mr. Watson
Mr. Davies
Dean Coggeshall
Mr. Short

Central Administration

W. L. Thaggard/wfm

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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INSTITUTE OF RADIOBIOLOGY AND BIOPHYSICS

June 11, 1952

Dr. Leo Szilard
Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

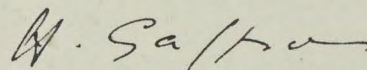
Dear Dr. Szilard:

Professor James Franck's 70th birthday will occur on August 26th of this year. In honor of this occasion, plans are being made to collect, bind, and present to him a group of personal letters of congratulation and, if possible, photographs, from his many scientific friends and former collaborators and students.

A group centering at the University of Chicago has compiled a list of Prof. Franck's friends from whom, we feel, he would be pleased to hear, and this letter is being sent to all of them. It would be gratifying if you would contribute to the volume. The letter should be addressed to Prof. Franck, of course, but would you please forward it to the undersigned? The photograph of yourself, which is not necessary but which we would greatly appreciate having, may be of any size, and either formal or informal. We would be grateful if we could have them by July 20.

Thanking you sincerely for your help,

Yours truly,



Hans Gaffron

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to				TIME FILED

The Biological Laboratory
Williams College
Williamstown, Massachusetts

FULL RATE TELEGRAM

Kindly reserve one single room for Dr. Novick in Sage Hall Dormitory and one single room with bath for Dr. Szillard at Williams Inn for Symposium starting Wednesday night.

5850 Ellis Avenue
June 23, 1952

Institute of Radiobiology & Biophysics
University of Chicago

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Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

September 11, 1952

Dr. Earl A. Wilson
Department of Medicine
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Wilson:

This will confirm our discussions of several weeks ago relating to your proposed work with Professor Szilard, which undertaking will be supported by Mr. J. Rockefeller Prentice of the American Breeders Service. I am very glad to offer you a position as Research Associate in the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics of stipend \$3,000 for the period October 16, 1952 to April 15, 1953. I anticipate that entertaining results will come from this undertaking.

Cordially yours,

T. H. Davies
Acting Director

THD/sds
cc: Mr. Harrison
Dean Coggeshall
Mr. Szilard ✓

The University of Chicago

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

5650 Ellis Avenue

September 12, 1952

Mr. J. Rockefeller Prentice
American Breeders Service
325 North Wells Street
Chicago 10, Illinois

Dear Mr. Prentice:

We are grateful for your interest in the support of Professor Szilard's proposed studies. Dr. Szilard's original ideas combined with the capabilities of Dr. Earl Wilson, who will help him, should lead to some interesting results.

Cordially yours,

T. H. Davies
Acting Director

THD/sds
cc: Mr. Harrison
Dean Coggeshall
Mr. Szilard ✓
Development Office

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Date

To Department

From Arthur Lincicome Department Asst. Comptroller

In Re: Special Procedures for Monthly Rated Employees Charged to Navy Contracts

The Navy requires that a monthly report of the time be made for each individual on a monthly salary whose salary, in whole or in part, is charged to a Navy contract. The original statement was that a weekly time report would be necessary but we feel that a monthly report signed both by the staff member and someone else in a supervisory capacity will suffice. For this purpose, we have prepared our Form No. 127 "Time Distribution Report", a small supply of which is enclosed. This report should be prepared on the last day of each month for each individual working on a Navy project whose salary is paid monthly and must be signed by the staff member and by the Official Investigator or someone else designated by him as Supervisor. The completed forms should be forwarded to the Comptroller's Office immediately in order to reach that office, if possible, on the first day of the next month.

For those staff members whose salaries are charged directly to the Navy contract account, the form should be sent with a covering letter to the Comptroller. For those staff members whose salaries are not being charged directly to the Navy contract account but for whom transfer of salary is to be made on Form No. 67, the Time Distribution Reports must accompany the Form No. 67 which requests transfer of the salary. A Time Distribution report must be attached for each individual who is named on the Form No. 67.

The regular procedure for the use of Form No. 67 provides that transfers of salaries shall be made quarterly. This procedure is hereby revised insofar as it is applicable to Navy contracts to provide that the forms must be sent in monthly covering all transfers of salaries for a given month. The form should be prepared on the last day of the month and immediately forwarded to the Comptroller's Office with the accompanying Time Distribution Reports in order that it may reach that office on the first day of the next month. The regular procedure covering Form No. 67 is set forth in our Procedure No. 96. If you are not familiar with this procedure, please advise this office and a copy will be sent to you. This procedure was prepared to apply primarily to individuals on the three-quarter service basis. If Form No. 67 is to be used for transfer of salaries of staff who are on a four-quarter service basis, the procedure set forth in Item IV-B of Procedure No. 96 should be changed to read as follows: "If the individual is on a four-quarter appointment, the amount to be transferred will be the proportionate share of the salary earned during the period shown on the form. Since each such appointee is entitled to at least four weeks vacation, the salary earned per month is 13/12 of the amount actually paid each month." For purposes of the computation of the value of the part-time services, we have computed the decimal equivalent of the annual full-time salary which is actually earned each month to be as follows:

Four-quarter service contracts (4 weeks vacation) .090277
 Three-quarter service contracts (1 quarter vacation).111111

The method of using the above in calculating the amount to be transferred is indicated on the sample form attached. You are requested to show this formula for each item which you submit for transfer on Form No. 67 as indicated on the sample.

Arthur Lincicome

TIME DISTRIBUTION REPORT

(Basis for Distribution of Monthly Rated Staff Salaries to Contract No. ██████████)

Name _____ Month _____

Distribution to nearest percent of total University Appointment time for the month:

	<u>Distribution</u>
Applicable to Task Order No. _____ Account No. _____	%
Applicable to all other University work	<u> </u> %
Total	<u>100%</u>

Signed _____
Staff Member

Approved _____
Supervisor

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

November 7, 1952

Mr. L. Szilard
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Dear ~~Mr. Szilard:~~ *Leo,*

It's hard to believe but on December 2nd ten years will have passed since the first self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction occurred in the pile under the old West Stands.

We sincerely hope that you can arrange to be in Chicago to join your friends on the anniversary.

There will be a brief ceremony at the site at 10:30 o'clock at which Drs. Fermi and Compton will speak.

Then there will be a luncheon at the Palmer House under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry and the University. Dr. Compton will speak on "Atomic Power: Its Birth and Human Values." The University is reserving a complimentary ticket to the luncheon for each one who was present at the operation of the first pile.

After luncheon a panel, under the chairmanship of Crawford H. Greenewalt, President of the Du Pont Company, will discuss "Industrial Uses of Atomic Energy in the Next Ten Years." Members of the panel will include Gordon Dean, Chairman, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission; Enrico Fermi; Willis Gale, President, Commonwealth Edison Company; Lawrence R. Hafstad, Director, Division of Reactor Development, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission; Charles Allen Thomas, President, Monsanto Chemical Company; W. Allen Wallis, Professor, School of Business, The University of Chicago; and Walter H. Zinn, Director, Argonne National Laboratory of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission.

An official invitation will be sent to you shortly. I do hope you can come. Please reply directly to us rather than to the Association of Commerce.

Sincerely yours,

Larry
Lawrence A. Kimpton

November 10, 1952

Mr. Lawrence A. Kimpton
Chancellor of the University of Chicago
5855 University Ave.
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Larry,

This is to thank you for your invitation dated
November 7th to attend the ceremony and luncheon on December 2nd,
and to tell you that I shall be pleased to attend.

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

LS/llt

ACCOUNT INFORMATION SHEET

Name of Account:	ACCOUNT CODE			
	L	Account	Sub	Fund
Navy Bacterial Virus Research No. 2	3	3250	00	1695
Salaries	3	3250	20	1695
Annuity	3	3250	33	1695
Travel	3	3250	34	1695
Consumable Supplies	3	3250	35	1695

In Charge of: **Mr. Leo Szilard** Departmental Classification: **Biological Sciences Division
Institute of Radiobiology & Biophysics**

Purpose of Account:
To set up appropriations from the Navy Bacterial Virus Research No. 2 Fund and record expenditures against the appropriations in accordance with the terms of Contract No. Nonr-1059 (00) for research, development, and services.

Source of Funds: Donor **Department of the Navy, Office of Naval Research**
 Amount \$ **8,834.00** Period **1/1/53 - 12/31/53**
 Payable **Installments as stated in Contract**

Account to be debited with:
Expenditures approved by the project director or his authorized representative and subject to the specific limitations as set forth in the contract.

Account to be credited with:

Disposition of Balance:
For balance sheet purposes, the unexpended balance of this appropriation account is combined with the unappropriated balance of the fund and classified as "Deferred Income".

Bookkeeper: **Restricted Expendable Bookkeeper
Government Accounts Division** Statements to: **Leo Szilard
Dean of Biological Sciences Division**

TABULATING HEADING CARDS

Name of Account:	Card Code	L	Account	Sub	Fund	Cards Punched
Navy Bactrl Virus Res 2 Salaries	1	3	3250	20	1695	
Navy Bactrl Virus Res 2 Annuity	1	3	3250	33	1695	
Navy Bactrl Virus Res 2 Travel	1	3	3250	34	1695	
Navy Bactrl Virus Res 2 Con Sup	1	3	3250	35	1695	
Navy Bactrl Virus Res 2 Salaries	2	3	3250	00	1695	
Salaries	2	3	3250	20	1695	
Annuity	2	3	3250	33	1695	
Travel	2	3	3250	34	1695	
Consumable Supplies	2	3	3250	35	1695	

Date Established **12/19/52** Prepared by **TH**
 Date Revised..... Approved by **ERG** **JR 12/31/52 H 1/7/53**
 Date Discontinued..... Entered Code Rack.....

Denver, Colorado

December 26, 1952

Mr. William B. Harrell,
Business Manager Special Projects
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Harrell:

I am writing to you with respect to the issue of the Navy contract which we have discussed. This issue has two aspects. What do we do about the new, cost price contract which is supposed to begin January 1st and a decision about this has to be made at once. And, how do we straighten out the situation with respect to the old cost contract which ran from January 1, 1952 to the end of this year. This latter point we can discuss sometime in January but because the two questions are inter-connected I want to put on record certain relevant facts relating to the old cost contract.

In November of this year Dr. Novick and I filed a patent application for an invention which might or might not be regarded as a subject invention under the terms of the Navy contract. The invention relates to the use of anti-mutagens in coffee, coca cola, or other caffeine-containing foods, drinks or drugs for the purpose of preventing possible carcinogenic action of caffeine on the stomach wall. Our Navy contract is for work on bacteria. Our invention is not ~~arrived~~^{aimed} at affecting bacteria but perhaps it might nevertheless be regarded as a subject invention by virtue of the fact that it is based on "insight" which was derived from our work on bacteria.

We have thought of transferring the patent, if a patent were in fact obtained, to a tax-exempt research foundation and have been exploring this possibility with such a group but we have not entered into any agreement since we intended first to clear with the University the desirability of taking out such a patent and making such a transfer.

When I accepted employment with the University I did not assume any obligation to turn over inventions either to the University or to anyone else and

I was surprised to find that the University entered into a contract with the Navy, containing such a patent clause without checking with me first whether it is acceptable. As it is, by filing a patent application, I have caused the University to violate its contract with the Navy, at least in a technical sense. One question which I propose to discuss in January is how best to remedy this situation as far as the past is concerned. I don't think that this can or should be done simply by withdrawing the patent application we have filed. I am rather inclined to think that the University should state frankly that it failed to obtain from me the necessary pledge and failed to advise me of the terms of its contract, of which I remained in ignorance until the middle of December. As a result of this oversight, I was free during this past year concerning all of my inventions except for the limitations imposed upon me by the statutes of the University.

X While I consider myself entirely innocent in this matter and am reluctant to enter into any retroactive agreement, I am anxious to settle the matter in a manner which is fair to the Navy. Perhaps we should propose that we submit to the Navy all inventions made in 1952 which might conceivably be regarded as "subject inventions" in the form of patent applications and to offer to the Navy to assign any or all of these applications to the Government provided that the Navy determines which of these patent applications represent subject inventions and advises us accordingly within six months of our submission of these documents to the Navy. If we are not so advised we would consider ourselves free with respect to these patent applications.

Another possible way of rectifying the situation, (and one which would be even more desirable, because it would remove the difficulties for the past as well as for the future) would be the following. The new contract for 1953 contains patent provisions which are worded slightly different from those of the old contract and the new contract makes its patent provisions retroactive also for the period of operation of the old contract. Now, Mr. Lean tells me that the Navy occasionally uses a different patent provision, namely, one which imposes upon the contractor only the obligation to grant the Government a royalty-free license. If the Navy were willing to amend the new contract so as

to limit its patent provisions to such a royalty-free license granted to the Government and if the patent provisions of the new contract were made retro-active for the period of the old contract, then I believe all of our difficulties would be solved. In that case we could accept the new contract and we would assign to the University all patent applications that might conceivably be regarded as subject inventions, with the understanding that the University would grant the Government a royalty-free license and then reassign the patent application to us subject to such a royalty-free license.

If such a procedure were at all practicable then it would solve all our present difficulties and heal the breach of the old contract by the University. In that case you could perhaps hold up the transfer of funds under the new contract effective immediately and subsequently to negotiate such an amendment of the new contract. If the new agreement is amended it should also be amended with regard to the amount involved. This should be cut to 7/12 of its present value in order to bring it into accordance with our present experimental program.

If the above procedure is not practicable, then it might be advisable to cancel the new contract altogether before it goes into effect on January 1st. There are several reasons for doing so: It is conceivable that I might wish to file patent applications in the coming year relating to the preservation of semen on which work is going on now in our laboratory supported by private funds. If, as has been proposed by the University, part of my salary in 1953 were to come from Navy funds, I might find myself in an embarrassing position if I have to decide which inventions are "subject inventions" in the terms of the Navy contract. I understand from Mr. Lean that your office will not make such a determination nor can we count on the Navy making such a determination within a reasonably limited period of time. This would not bother me if all that the Government could claim were a royalty-free license but the patent clauses of the present form of the contract for 1953 might prove embarrassing.

In the absence of Dr. Leroy I have asked Mr. Mokstad in the Research Institutes to look at our account and he tells me that with the present number of employees, if we transferred all charges from the Navy contract to our medical

research contract, we would be all right at least until ^{June} ~~November~~ 30th without putting any burden on the IRB budget. You might wish to check this point with him.

Our work on bacteria has progressed faster than we expected and according to present plans our present team should disband by the end of July. Since the funds now on hand are sufficient to carry us up to the end of June at least and probably longer, a case could be made out for cancelling the new contract on this ground alone. Of course, it is always nice to have more money and if we had more money and found suitable co-workers, we could expand our work to branch out in various directions.

I believe this information should be sufficient for you to enable you to decide whether to hold up the new ^{fixed} ~~cost~~ price contract in order to amend it or else to cancel the new fixed price contract.

I tried to call you by telephone today but was told that you won't be in your office until Monday. You should have this letter on your desk Monday morning. I propose to call you later in the day by telephone to find out if you desire any additional information. If you think that it is at all possible to amend the patent provisions of the new contract to provide for a royalty-free license for the Government, then I would appreciate it if you or Mr. Lean would read me over the telephone the text of these alternative patent provisions in order to make certain that the amendment would be acceptable to me.

With best wishes,

Leo Szilard

P. S. Irrespective of anything else, I should like to request that, as of January 1 on and until further notice, everything ^{now} ~~not~~ charged against our Navy contract be charged from here on to our medical research contract. I would appreciate your contacting Mr. Mokstad right away about this and also if necessary the Dean's office and the Comptroller's office.

NIGHT LETTER

Dr. William B. Harrell
Business Manager Special Projects
University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

DECEMBER 29, 1952

HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ASSIGNING SUBJECT INVENTIONS MADE IN THE PAST TO THE GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO RECTIFY A BREACH OF CONTRACT ON THE PART OF THE UNIVERSITY AND ALSO IN FAIRNESS TO THE GOVERNMENT. BUT UNLESS I AM ADVISED BY MY OWN ATTORNEY THAT I HAVE IN FACT UNWITTINGLY VIOLATED MY OBLIGATIONS I SHALL NOT ENTER INTO RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT WHICH IN VIEW OF MY HAVING FILED A PATENT APPLICATION IMPLIES THAT I HAVE VIOLATED MY OBLIGATIONS. I HAVE MADE NO ARRANGEMENT AS YET ~~WHICH MAY BE MADE~~ CONCERNING INVENTIONS RELATING TO SEMEN FREEZING BUT I FEEL MORALLY COMMITTED NOT TO ENTER INTO ANY AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD MAKE SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT IMPOSSIBLE. IF ACCEPTING THE NEW NAVY CONTRACT STARTING JANUARY FIRST UNDER WHICH PART OF MY SALARY IS CHARGED TO THE NAVY IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH ABOVE MORAL COMMITMENT THEN I CANNOT ACCEPT THAT CONTRACT. TODAY I HEARD FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH GRANT ALSO CONTAINS A PATENT CLAUSE. THIS IS IN CONTRAST TO WHAT YOUR OFFICE TOLD ME PREVIOUSLY. SINCE NO PART OF MY SALARY IS CHARGED TO THE U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH GRANT MY GUESS WOULD BE THAT I SHOULD HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN ACCEPTING THEIR PATENT CLAUSE FOR THE FUTURE. BUT NOT KNOWING WHAT THAT PATENT CLAUSE IS I CAN ONLY SAY THAT I COULD NOT ACCEPT IT IF IT IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE ABOVE STATED MORAL COMMITMENT. YOU CAN REACH ME IN DENVER IN THE MORNING AT FREMONT 9683 BY TELEPHONE OR ELSE BY MAIL OR TELEGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF BIOPHYSICS, MEDICAL SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, DENVER. MAILING CONFIRMATION COPY.

LEO SZILARD

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 0800

OCT 21 1953

Mr. Leo Szilard
1155 East 57th Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority conferred by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has granted you leave of absence without salary as Professor of Biophysics in the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics from October 1, 1953 through June 30, 1954.

Will you please acknowledge the receipt of this notice on the duplicate sheet enclosed so that our records may indicate that the arrangement is in accordance with your understanding.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By John I. Kirkpatrick
Comptroller

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE December 2, 1953

TO Mr. Clement S. Mokstad, Asst. Admin. Dir. DEPARTMENT Research Institutes

FROM Dr. Leo Szilard DEPARTMENT Institute of Radiobiology

IN RE:

Enclosed is the final report which can be used both for a Navy and a U. S. Public Health contract. A photo-copy of the enclosed two manuscripts should accompany this final report.

Three copies of the report should be sent to Dr. F. H. Quimby, Office of Naval Research, Physiology Branch, Washington 25, D. C. One copy should be sent to Dr. Morris Jones, Office of Naval Research, 86 East Randolph Street, Chicago 1, Illinois. Both Novick and I should have one copy each. I do not know how many copies the University wants to retain but it should retain at least one.

Please find out how many copies you have to send to the National Institute of Health on a U. S. Public Health contract.

Both contracts should now be terminated.

Leo Szilard

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF THE RESEARCH INSTITUTES

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

5640 ELLIS AVENUE

CHICAGO 37 ILLINOIS

Institute for Nuclear Studies
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Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

January 15, 1954

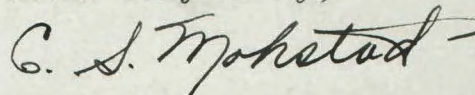
Professor L. Szilard
c/o A. N. Spanel
International Latex Company
350 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Professor Szilard:

The distribution of the final report on your Public Health and ONR contracts is now being made. I am sorry that there was a delay in this operation. The Business Manager's Office requested we send additional reports to Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly so that the files of the ONR would be complete.

We are keeping on file here at the Research Institutes two copies of the report and are forwarding herewith a copy for your files.

Yours very truly,



C. S. Mokstad

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Government Contracts
Division

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
VICE-PRESIDENT • BUSINESS AFFAIRS
5801 ELLIS AVENUE

May 19, 1954

Re: Cont. Nonr-1059(00)

Dr. Leo Szilard
c/o A. N. Spanel
International Latex Co.
350 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Reference is made to Contract Nonr-1059(00) which was terminated as of October 1, 1953, at which time you left the University on leave of absence.

In order that we may comply with termination procedures under subject contract, will you kindly supply the information required in the attached Patent Disclosure Certificate and return one signed copy to this office. In the event there were no patentable discoveries, please so state.

Final report under subject contract has been submitted.

Very truly yours,

Irene Fagerstrom

Irene E. Fagerstrom
Administrative Assistant

enclosure

PATENT DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

The undersigned hereby certifies that he is the Principal Investigator under the above-referenced task order and has supervised all experimental, developmental and research work carried on under such task order; that he has examined all records (including notebooks and reports) maintained or prepared in the performance of said task order, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief, the following and only the following inventions, improvements and discoveries which reasonably appear to be patentable were conceived or first reduced to practice (i) in the performance of said task order, or (ii) in the performance of research or development work relating to the subject matter of said task order which was done upon the understanding that such task order would be awarded:

<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Title or Description of Invention, Improvement or Discovery</u>
	<i>no patentable inventions were made.</i>

The undersigned further certifies that the following schedule identifies, by the inventor, title and date of filing, all inventions, improvements or discoveries conceived or made as aforesaid for which patent applications have heretofore been filed:

<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Title of Invention</u>	<u>Patent Application No.</u>	<u>Date of Filing</u>
	<i>one application was filed and was permitted to lapse for lack of patentable invention.</i>		

In connection with the within disclosure, it is understood and agreed (a) that all of the foregoing inventions, improvements or discoveries (whether or not patentable) are the sole and exclusive property of the Government, subject only to a non-exclusive, irrevocable and non-transferable royalty-free license reserved to the University of Chicago and to the inventor, and (b) that the inventor will execute and deliver to the Contracting Officer such documents as may be required (1) to effect an assignment of the patent application to the Government, and (2) to permit the Government to prosecute same.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 23rd day of May, 1954.

Leaker Carol

Principal Investigator

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
Chicago 37 - Illinois
The Division of the Social Sciences
July 12, 1954

Dear Mr. Szilard:

I am glad to set down below what I understand to be your responsibilities as a full-time member of the faculty of the Division of the Social Sciences.

1. For the year beginning July 1, 1954, you will have no responsibility to take up residence in Chicago. I understand that you will probably study recent advances in micro-biology. I take pleasure in contemplating that a great physical scientist joins Chicago's social science group in order initially to devote himself to biology.
2. For the years following, we will work out to our mutual satisfaction, from year to year, a program defining what period of the year you shall be in residence on the quadrangles. You wish to define this period as not exceeding three months in any one year. I see no need now to settle this question, since it must obviously be determined from time to time in the light of your interests and desires and the University's needs. But I can nevertheless give you now the following assurance: the University will be satisfied with three months of annual residence provided that the University considers your activity while not in residence as being of substantial service to the University, to scholarship or to the public interest; or the University receives income under your 4E contract which it deems to be satisfactory, or both.

Mr. Kimpton, in whose office a carbon of this letter will be filed, has approved this statement. Both of us look forward with pleasure to your long-term affiliation with the Division of the Social Sciences.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Morton Grodzins
Dean

Mr. Leo Szilard
The Quadrangle Club
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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1126 EAST 59TH STREET

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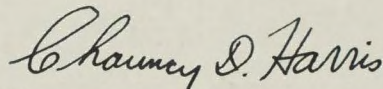
January 10, 1955

Mr. Leo Szilard
c/o A. N. Spanel
The International Latex Company
350 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Professor Szilard:

In the Chancellor's letter to you of December 10, 1954, confirming that your title in the University of Chicago is Professor of Social Sciences (not Professor of Social Sciences and Biophysics), I notice that he makes reference to your activity for the Committee on Social Thought. In order to avoid possible confusion, I should make clear that your appointment is in the Division at large, not in any specific department or committee, and that you therefore are responsible directly to the Dean's Office. Since I am new in my position in the Dean's Office, I am unfamiliar with your program of work in the Division and in the University. I should be glad to hear from you, at your convenience, what your proposed program is with respect to research and teaching in the field of social sciences.

Yours sincerely,



Chauncy D. Harris
Acting Dean

CDH:gl
cc: Mr. Lawrence A. Kimpton

Kings Crown Hotel
420 W. 116th St
New York, N. Y.

Dr. Chauncy D. Harris
Office of the Dean
The Division of the Social Sciences
The University of Chicago
1126 East 59th Street
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Harris:

I have your very kind letter of January 10th. In answer to it I am enclosing copies of two letters which I have written to Mr. Kimpton. In one of these letters, I have marked a passage (on page 3) which should answer the questions which you raised in your letter. I wish I could give you a more satisfactory answer.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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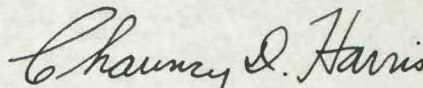
Office of the Dean

May 31, 1955

Dear Professor Szilard:

I am prepared to recommend to the Chancellor service by you to the Division of the Social Sciences on a program of exploration of social implications of atomic energy. This service will be limited to the period beginning July 1, 1955, and continuing to June 30, 1956. This particular program need not be pursued on the campus of the University of Chicago. Unless major significant developments result from this assignment during this period, I am not prepared to recommend to the Chancellor approval of future service by you to the Division of the Social Sciences away from the campus.

Yours sincerely,



Chauncy D. Harris
Dean

Professor Leo Szilard
Kings Crown Hotel
420 West 116th Street
New York 27, New York

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THE DIVISION OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

July 7, 1955

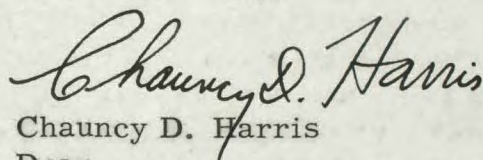
Office of the Dean

Dear Professor Szilard:

The Social Science Research Committee has made a careful study of your Proposal for An Inquiry. The Committee is unwilling to approve the project for outside financing in the name of the Division of the Social Sciences and of the University of Chicago. Each of the members of the Committee reacted to the proposal in a somewhat different way. Some felt that the University should not be directly involved in major policy. Individuals of the University, as individuals, may be consulted by government international agencies on policy matters, but they give such advice in a personal role and not as representatives of the University. A commission such as you propose might well be construed to represent official University policy. Other individuals were concerned that the proposal does not seem to represent a carefully thought out program for research in the social sciences or in international relations. Yet another viewpoint reflected a lack of confidence in the feasibility of this type of inquiry. I quote from one of the memoranda: "In the present time we witness a possible rapprochement between the main antagonists in the cold war. The processes by which an eventual, even if temporary, solution of these antagonisms can be achieved is the use of normal diplomatic channels. I believe that a commission such as the one envisaged by Mr. Szilard can do more harm than good at this time. Some of the problems which demand solution are short-run problems, i. e., some temporary accommodation may be possible. Surely these problems should not be the concern of a commission, since their solution is possible by the day-to-day diplomatic negotiations which are the normal business of statesmen. There remain the more fundamental and long-run antagonisms which the Commission might concern itself with. I feel that the Commission could not really do much in this field. The major deep-seated cleavages are well known. There may be some confusion in the popular mind about what the reasons for conflict are, but the diplomats, political leaders and intellectual leaders in the United States and the western world in general are quite familiar with the deep underlying reasons for the cleavage. I believe the same thing is true of the corresponding persons in Russia. I see, therefore, little that a Commission could do in a positive sense and, given the present overall temper of potential good-will, a lot of trouble that it could cause."

As an individual, you are of course free to continue work on the ideas expressed in your memorandum. You are free to explore the possible financing of such a commission, but only as an individual and not in the name of the University of Chicago.

Yours sincerely,


Chauncy D. Harris
Dean

Professor Leo Szilard
Kings Crown Hotel
420 West 116th Street
New York 27, New York

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personal

July 13, 1955

Dean Chauncy D. Harris
The Division of the Social Sciences
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Harris:

Many thanks for your letter of July 7 which
crossed with mine.

I am writing the Law School to find out if they
are willing to take on the project or whether I should prop-
osition some other university or tax exempt institution concerning
the administration of funds that might be made available.

With kind personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

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Leo Szilard

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November 2, 1955

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Mr. R. W. Harrison, Vice President

Office of the Chancellor

Chauncy D. Harris, Dean

Division of the Social Sciences

Leo Sillard.

Leo Sillard dropped in to chat with me for a moment the other day. He reports that he is having a resurgence of interest in biology and wonders about transfer back to the Division of the Biological Sciences. He is embarrassed at being Professor of Social Sciences and I am embarrassed at his being a professor of social sciences. Any time someone in the Biological Science Division is willing to provide a home for him, I am prepared to approve his transfer.

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cc: L. T. Coggeshall

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE November 19, 1955

TO Mr. Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Division of the Social Sciences

FROM Chauncy D. Harris, Dean

DEPARTMENT Division of the Social Sciences

IN RE:

In line with our conversation of the other day, I wrote a note to R. W. Harrison indicating your interest in getting back into active research in biology. As you know, there is a committee on biophysics under the chairmanship of Dr. Zirkle. If you are seriously interested in continued work in this field, you should communicate with Dr. Zirkle and indicate to him the revival of your interest in this area. If this group, convinced of the seriousness of your interest, were willing to make a recommendation for your appointment in this area, it would need to submit such a proposal to the Dean of the Division of the Biological Sciences, who would, I am sure, wish to have a clear understanding as to the amount of time you would spend at the University and in the work of interest to the committee on biophysics.

As you know from my letter of May 31, 1955, to you, your present program of service to the Division of the Social Sciences on a program of exploration of social implications of atomic energy continues only to June 30, 1956. I am not at this time prepared to recommend a continuation of service to the Division and the University on the present basis beyond that date. If you have a program of research or service that is appropriate to, and would be recommended by, any of the regular departments or committees of the Division, I should be willing to give consideration to such a program to ascertain whether or not it could be recommended by this office to the Chancellor.

I should be glad to discuss your program with you in person at your convenience.

Chauncy D. Harris

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In checking our records we find that you have not signed your appointment sent to you August 12, 1954. Enclosed is a copy of this appointment. Will you please sign it and return at once to complete our records.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800Duplicate written
January 7, 1955

August 12, 1954

JAN 10 1955

Mr. Leo Szilard
1155 East 57th Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has adjusted your appointment effective July 1, 1954 to the following:

Professor of Social Sciences on indefinite tenure in the Division of the Social Sciences on a full-time basis from July 1, 1954 with salary at the rate of \$10,500 per annum.

This is a four-quarter appointment (4E) as described in University Statute 16.

This appointment cancels and supersedes your previous appointment as of June 30, 1954.

If you wish to accept the appointment, please sign your name in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice and return at once to the Office of the Comptroller.

The receipt of this acceptance will be required before the appointment is effective.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By John I. Kirkpatrick
Comptroller

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5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

MAY 5 1952

Mr. Leo Szilard
Inst. of Radiobiology & Biophysics
University of Chicago

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has increased your salary to \$10,500 per annum effective October 1, 1952.

All other terms of your current appointment contract remain the same.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By *John D. Kirkpatrick*
Comptroller #

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CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

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ACCEPTANCE SHEET

Duplicate for Comptroller

Detach this copy from original, sign at bottom of page, and return to the Comptroller.

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Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By _____
Comptroller *R*

The foregoing appointment is accepted including the provisions at the bottom of this page.

Leo Szilard

Appointee's name in full

Date *Aug 20/54*



NOTICE!!

The duplicate copy, signed by you, must be returned to the Office of the Comptroller before salary checks will be released

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Institute for Nuclear Studies
Institute for the Study of Metals
Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics

October 12, 1954

Professor Leo Szilard
c/o Office of the President
Brandeis University
Waltham, Massachusetts

Dear Professor Szilard:

Dean Coggeshall's Office has requested that I prepare the office that you occupied as a member of the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics, for use by another individual by October 18. It has been called to my attention that certain personal effects are at present in this space. Naturally we wish to cooperate in every way possible in holding or sending these items to you.

The list of items includes some personal papers, books, a cot, electric fan and miscellaneous materials. If you will instruct us as to the disposition of these materials, we will be glad to comply with any reasonable request.

You realize that the notice given to me to vacate the room is rather short and for this reason I am asking your cooperation in answering as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation and immediate reply.

Yours very truly,

C. S. Mokstad
C. S. Mokstad

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Kings Crown Hotel
420 W. 116th St
New York 27, N. Y.
February 12, 1955

Mr. Lawrence A. Kimpton
Office of the Chancellor
University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Ill

Dear Mr. Kimpton:

Enclosed is a text of a "Letter to the Editor" which appeared in the New York Times last Sunday, and which might, perhaps, interest you. The response is, so far, quite encouraging but it is too early to say if there will be enough moral support forthcoming to lead to any concrete course of action. I had one unsolicited and encouraging letter from one of the consultants to the Trustees of the New World Foundation which, I understand, is a twenty million dollar fund but has only a moderate income.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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Kings Crown Hotel
420 W. 116th St
New York, N. Y.
February 13, 1955

Mr. Lawrence A. Kimpton
Office of the Chancellor
University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Kimpton:

I delayed answering your letter of December 10th in the hope that I could come to Chicago and discuss the matter with you. However, I contracted some mild flu-like disease, from which recovery was very slow and, subsequently, I developed double vision. Beyond the fact that this is due to paralysis of the sixth cranial nerve (the whole purpose of which seems to be to innervate one muscle of the eye), the etiology is unknown. I manage to navigate by keeping one eye covered but I had to undergo all sorts of medical tests, so far all with negative results, and I might have to undergo some treatment (which I have, so far, successfully resisted). I think I could come to Chicago now and discuss this matter with you, if necessary, but in any case I do not want to delay answering your letter any longer.

Whether I am called Professor of Biophysics or Professor of the Social Sciences is not a matter of world shaking importance, but before accepting the title of Professor of the Social Sciences, I must make sure that your intention to give me this title is not the result of a misunderstanding.

I do not know whether the arrangement at which we arrived with Mr. Grodzins is the best possible solution of the problem of extricating ourselves from an awkward situation (caused by the dissolution of the Institute of Radiobiology and/^{Bio}Physics) with the minimum of damage to me and the minimum of cost to the University. Perhaps, as time goes on, we can think up a better solution. However, the arrangement appeared to be a tolerable modus vivendi.

I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Grodzin's letter which sets forth this arrangement and, if you will glance at it, you will see that it acknowledges my continued interest in the field of Biophysics. There is nothing in that letter that would preclude my spending most of, if not all of, my time on problems in Biophysics, which is at present my professional field.

I had the first indication that there might be some misunderstanding in your office concerning my contemplated activities when I received from the Comptroller's office a new contract in which I was designated as Professor of the Social Sciences. I told Mr. Grodzins that, before signing such a contract, I wanted to make sure that you understood that my competence is and will remain in the field of Biophysics, and that I do not claim any competence in the field of the Social Sciences. Since you were at that time in Europe, Mr. Grodzins said that he would await your return and, when he resigned, he suggested that I discuss the matter with you directly. I regretted that when I saw you in Chicago early in December, there was no possibility to clear it up. Writing is such an unsatisfactory way of communicating

thoughts (or concealing their absence).

Clearly, I am not qualified to teach in any of the branches of the Social Sciences, nor do I have any intention of engaging in "research" in this field. True, I am very much interested in certain social problems and particularly the problem of how, in view of the existence of atomic bombs, peace could be maintained. This is a problem which requires thought, and any proposed solution will have to be based on certain insights, but it does not involve "research." The fact is that, while we do not know very much about social behavior, if we applied what we now know (and know not from any "research", but from the knowledge of Man derived from insight into our own motivations and from history), we could very nearly have paradise on earth right now. None of the social problems in which I am interested require "research" in the field of the Social Sciences, or are likely, substantially, to benefit by it.

You might very well ask why I was willing to join the Division of the Social Sciences when my main interest is likely to remain in physics and biology. This is a good question, and I am prepared to give a good answer if you wish to raise it.

In these circumstances you might wonder if conferring on me the designation of Professor of the Social Sciences, when I do not claim any competence in this field, might not be rightly resented by the staff members of the Social Science Division. There is another consideration, also, that should be taken into account: If I am designated as Professor of the Social Sciences, this will find its way into the American Men of Science and Who's Who and would

lead people, mistakenly, to believe that I have left my professional field, which I have no intention of doing, if I can help it.

I wonder whether you would - in the light of the information given above - consider the following questions:

1) Is it, under the circumstances, necessary for me to enter into a new contract with the University involving a change of title, and, if so, why?

2) Is it advisable to drop my designation of Professor of Biophysics which, apart from physics, is the only field in which I can, and do, claim professional competence and which is likely to continue to claim most of my attention?

3) Is it advisable that I should carry the title of Professor of the Social Sciences when I do not regard myself as competent in that field?

I do not wish to involve you in a lengthy correspondence in this matter and would like, in any case before formally accepting the title of Professor of the Social Sciences by signing a new contract, to discuss it in person with you at your convenience.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

March 28, 1955

AIR MAIL

Mr. Leo Szilard
Kings Crown Hotel
420 West 116th Street
New York, New York

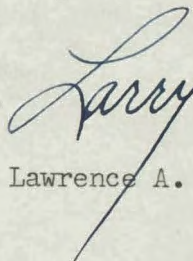
Dear Leo:

After receiving your letter of February 13, 1955, I talked with Chauncy Harris, who, as you know, is now Dean of the Social Sciences, and with Pat Harrison. Earlier conversations have been held with Deans Coggeshall and Bartky. The result of these conversations is that I am uncertain as to what you plan to do as a Professor at the University of Chicago, and in what location. It is apparent from your letter that you consider the arrangements recently made for you as a Professor of Social Science to be unsatisfactory and, perhaps, not sensible. Both of us appear to be confused.

Frankly, I agree with Dean Harris that the Social Sciences Division should not contain a Professor of Biophysics, since that subject is not handled in that division. Unless you are willing and feel competent to assume professorial duties of a nature that falls within the subject coverage of that division and are recommended through the dean for such appointment in the division, I do not see how appointment there can be justified. Nothing has been proposed, that I know of, in the Biological or Physical Sciences.

Since all of this seems to indicate some sort of impasse, I suggest that you try to work out the situation with Pat Harrison.

Very sincerely yours,



Lawrence A. Kimpton

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

May 24, 1957

*To Faculty Members and Employees
of the University:*

It is a pleasure to announce that the University of Chicago is prepared to make available a group Major Medical expense insurance program for all regular members of the faculty and staff who are half-time or more and their eligible dependents—provided that at least 75 per cent of those eligible elect to participate. The plan would be underwritten by Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association and would become effective on August 1, 1957.

The University hopes to cover all categories of the regular staff under age sixty-five, including academic and non-academic. This will not be possible, however, for a group in the University where there is not participation by 75 per cent of those eligible in that group. We regret that we cannot make the insurance available at the present time to staff members beyond their normal retirement age because of the prohibitive rates that would be involved. We shall continue to study this problem. After some experience has been gained, we hope to be able to offer a modified plan for those over age sixty-five.

The attached booklet describes the essential features of the new plan and how it will be co-ordinated with our Blue Cross-Blue Shield coverage. Since this new form of insurance protects against the large medical expenses of severe illness or accident—a risk we all face—I know you will want to study carefully the description of its benefits.

To join the proposed plan, you should complete the attached enrolment card and return it to the Office of the Comptroller by June 17, 1957. If you enrol now for yourself and your eligible dependents, no medical examination is necessary, and you and your dependents would automatically become insured for major medical benefits on the effective date. If you should be absent from work on that date (August 1, 1957), you and your dependents would become insured on the date you return to work (this provision will be waived for anyone who may be on regular annual vacation). If one of your eligible dependents should be confined to a hospital on the effective date, insurance for that dependent would become effective at the time of discharge from the hospital.

You may participate in Major Medical insurance in one of three ways: (1) on top of Blue Cross and Blue Shield; (2) on top of Blue Cross only; or (3) without any base plan. As at present, the hospitals and clinics staff must continue to carry Blue Cross. The precise first-year premium rate will be determined after enrolment has been completed and will be based upon the staff members and dependents who actually enrol in the plan. Upon the basis of preliminary information, however, it is estimated that the monthly contribution for a staff member will be approximately as follows:

	<i>If You Have Deductions for Blue Cross and Blue Shield</i>	<i>If You Have Deductions for Blue Cross Only</i>	<i>If You Do Not Have Deductions for Blue Cross</i>
For staff member only	\$1.05	\$1.50	\$2.90
For staff member and eligible dependents . . .	2.85	3.80	7.15

Since Blue Cross-Blue Shield participation reduces the extent to which the Major Medical insurance will be utilized, the contribution is smallest for those carrying both Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

We expect that this benefit plan will help to free staff members from concern over the financial problems of medical care, and I hope that you will give careful consideration to the benefits made possible by this new program.

Cordially yours,

Lawrence A. Kingston

Chancellor

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE March 22, 1955

TO Dr. Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Social Sciences

FROM Jeanne S. Brewer

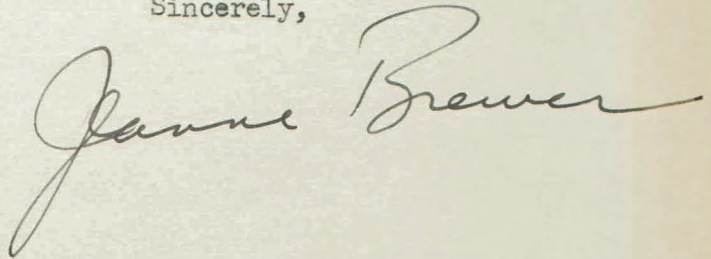
DEPARTMENT Development Office

IN RE:

Attached are the names of the foundations and individuals which we selected for you to contact in the East.

Mr. Pattullo could think of no other individuals - not already on your list, I am sorry to say. We agree, however, that from this group you should have considerable receptiveness to your proposal. We certainly hope this will be the case and wish you every success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne Brewer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Jeanne Brewer".

Enc.

January 10, 1956

TO: Leo Szilard

FROM: Chauncy D. Harris

Division of Social Sciences

RE: Bibliography and publication files of the
Faculty of the Division of Social Sciences.

1. In order to keep up-to-date our bibliographical files for each faculty member, I request that you assist me in completing the attached listings of your publications which have been compiled from records in this office. Please return the corrected copy to me by March 31, 1956. If you prefer to make a new listing, please see that the items are given in chronological order.
2. Certain items on your bibliography may be checked in red, indicating that a copy of the publication is on file in this office. It has been the policy of the Division in the past to ask that the Office of the Dean receive two copies of each publication of research supported from the funds of the Social Science Research Committee. We should like to extend the policy to ask for one copy only of each research paper or book written by a member of the faculty of the Division, whether supported by the Social Science Research Committee or not. Duplicates of your publications are returned from our files herewith.

The reference file of faculty publications has proven invaluable on many occasions.

CDH:mw

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

FOUNDED BY JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

5601 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

JUL 11 1956

Mr. Leo Szilard
1155 East 57th Street
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Under authority granted by the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, the Chancellor has adjusted your appointment effective July 1, 1956 to the following:

Professor of Biophysics on indefinite tenure in the Enrico Fermi Institute for Nuclear Studies from July 1, 1956 on a full-time basis with salary at the rate of \$11,000 per annum.

This is a three-quarter appointment as described in University Statute 16.

This cancels and supersedes your previous appointment as of June 30, 1956.

If you wish to accept the appointment, please sign your name in the indicated place on the enclosed duplicate of this notice and return at once to the Office of the Comptroller.

The receipt of this acceptance will be required before the appointment is effective.

Very truly yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

By John D. Hill/Statuech
Comptroller

NOTE.—All academic appointments to the staff of The University of Chicago are subject to (1) the provisions of the Statutes of the University as adopted or amended by the Board of Trustees, and (2) any reductions in salaries that may be enacted by the Board of Trustees.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Date July 12, 1956

To Mr. Leo Szilard Department Institute for Nuclear Studies
 From Miss Eleanor Coombs Department Comptroller's Office

In Re: Retirement Allowance Plan

After receiving your recent instructions, we are setting up the contributions to the Retirement Allowance Plan as follows, effective July 1956 :

	Salary		Yours	Monthly Premium	
	Annual	Monthly		University	Total
New	<u>11,000</u>	<u>916.67</u>	<u>45.83</u>	<u>61.75</u>	<u>107.58</u>
Present	<u>10,500</u>	<u>875.00</u>	<u>41.67</u>	<u>41.67</u>	<u>83.34</u>
Increase	<u>500</u>	<u>41.67</u>	<u>4.16</u>	<u>20.08</u>	<u>24.24</u>

On all of total premium, 100 % will go to TIAA, 0 - % to CREF

If we are not proceeding correctly, will you please let me know as soon as possible (Administration, Room 400 - Ext. 3119).

Development Office

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE September 24, 1956

To Professor Leo Szilard

DEPARTMENT Social Sciences

FROM E. L. Pattullo

DEPARTMENT Development

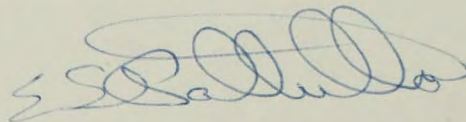
IN RE:

Do you know all about James S. McDonnell, Jr., President, McDonnell Aircraft Corporation, Lambert-St. Louis Municipal Airport, Box 516, St. Louis 3, Missouri?

In looking through an old file I note that in 1951 he set up a \$500,000 fund (to which he hoped to add) "to explore methods of developing a world order leading to a lasting peace."

He had some slight correspondence with Chancellor Hutchins and was apparently acquainted with Dr. Oppenheimer.

You've probably already explored this possibility.



September 27, 1956

Mr. E. I. Pattulo

Leo Szilard

Development
The Enrico Fermi
Institute for Nuclear Studies

Many thanks for your note of September 24th. I shall
be thinking about Mr. James S. McDonnell, Jr.'s fund.

It was very thoughtful of you to think of my problem.

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I N V O I C E

FOR:

Mr. Leo Szilard
The Quadrangle Club
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

BILL:

Unitronics Corporation
34-01 38th Avenue
Long Island City 1, New York

DATE: December 3, 1956

Consultant's Fee for November -

\$500.00

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

23 May 1957

Mr. Leo Szilard
Quadrangle Club
University of Chicago

Dear Szilard:

I don't expect to be able to find a definitive answer to your word problem without much work.

On the basis of one of the ideas in the Crick paper, I have constructed a lexicon of 46 printable four letter words from the alphabet, A, B, C, D.

The rule of formation of this lexicon is as follows. There is one exceptional word, ABCD. The remaining 45 words are just those in which the second letter in the word, and only the second letter, comes later in the alphabet than does its predecessor in the word.

Printability (i.e., compatibility) is not hard to check. As for the count, it goes like this:

A B C D 1

A B	B B	
	A	3
	<u> </u>	
	A A	

B C	C C	
A	B	2 x 6 = 12
	A	
	<u> </u>	
	B B	
	A	
	<u> </u>	
	A A	

C D	D D	
B	C	
A	B	
	A	
	<u> </u>	
	C C	3 x 10 = 30
	B	
	A	
	<u> </u>	
	B B	
	A	
	<u> </u>	
	A A	<u>46</u>

Sorry not to have a fuller answer.

Jimmie
Jimmie

N.B. It is a presupposition in Crick's paper and here that the forward direction along the tape is evident at every point (or at any rate at most points). I suppose this is consistent with the chemistry.

cc: K. L. Chung

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Telex



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DR LEO SZILARD, NEW YORK HOSPITAL FLR H ROOM 9=
68 AND YORK AVE=

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WE ARE ALL CONCERNED ABOUT YOU KEEP YOUR
CHIN UP AND THOSE BRILLIANT IDEAS FLOWING=
FACULTY OF ENRICO FERMI INSTITUTE FOR
NUCLEAR STUDIES=.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS

BUSINESS MANAGER • SPECIAL PROJECTS

5801 ELLIS AVENUE

January 13, 1960

Via Air Mail

Dr. Leo Szilard
Memorial Hospital
444 East 68th Street
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Following your telephone call today I traced through the paper work in connection with your salary increase to be effective 1 January 1960.

I am informed that all papers have cleared to the Comptroller's Office and that your salary check commencing with the month ending 31 January 1960 will reflect the increase to the \$15,000 per annum level.

I am further informed that you will receive formal notification from the Comptroller's Office concerning the increase. There will be no papers for you to sign at this time.

Please let me know if there is anything further I can do.

Sincerely yours,

Irene E. Fagerstrom

Irene E. Fagerstrom
Assistant Business Manager
(Special Projects)

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Office of the Comptroller—Government Accounts Section

Date: February 3, 1960

To: Prof. Leo Szilard

Department: Enrico Fermi Inst. for
Nuclear Studies

From: S. B. Langrand

Department: Assistant Comptroller

In Re: USPHS RG-6876 Med. Res. #558 Account Code 3- 5420 -00- 3908

In accordance with Miss I. E. Fagerstrom's letter dated January 6, 1960 we have opened the above referenced account to cover Grant No. PHS-RG-6876 U. S. Public Health Service for the period January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960. The budget has been set up as follows:

3- 5420-00- 3908	USPHS Medical Research #558	
-20-	Salaries	\$11,000
-32-	Permanent Equipment	
-34-	Travel	7,500
-35-	Consumable Supplies	
-36-	Other Expenses	4,000
-81-	Academic Retirement	748
-82-	Non-Academic Retirement	
-90-	Overhead	3,487
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	TOTAL	\$26,735
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Any amounts set up in 81, 82, or 90 may not be expended by you since this office will make all charges against these subaccounts.

The regular commitment and expenditure procedures of the University may be followed for this account except that:

1. Each Purchase Request (Form 100R) must bear the note "Government Contract—Invoice in Duplicate."
2. No expenditures may be made from these subaccounts for fellowships and scholarships.
3. Expenditures may be made only for services rendered or materials, supplies, or equipment received during the period of the contract as mentioned above.
4. Care should be taken that any travel expense charged to the project cover only travel both started and ended during the period of the contract. No expense can be allowed for any portion of trips held outside the Continental limits of the United States, without prior approval of P.H.S. National Advisory Council.

If you have any questions regarding the financial administration of this grant, please advise.

S. B. Langrand

SBL:ml

cc: Miss Fagerstrom
Purchasing (Attn. Miss Strobo)
Bursar
Bookstore (Attn. Mrs. E. Wagner)
Dean W. H. Zachariasen

Bursar: When payment is received
Credit: a/c 0-0271-73-3908

ACCOUNT NAME: USPHS RG 6876 Med. Res. #558
 ACCOUNT CODE: 3-5420-00-3908
 DEPARTMENT NAME: Enrico Fermi Inst. for Nuclear Studies Div: Phy. Sci.
 UNDER CONTROL OF: Professor Leo Szilard
 PURPOSE AND RESTRICTIONS: To set up appropriations and record expenditures against them in accordance with the terms of Grant No. RG-6876. Expenditures to be made in accordance with USPHS written policies.

REPORTS DUE: At expiration of grant
 SOURCE OF FUNDS: US Public Health Service
 PERIOD OF GRANT: 1/1/60 thru 12/31/60
 GRANT AMOUNT AND PAYMENT DATES: \$26,735 (Payable in advance)
 MONTHLY LEDGER SHEETS TO = COPY 3 WITH SUPPORT — Professor Leo Szilard
 COPY 4 — Div: Phy. Sci.

TABULATING HEADING CARDS

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Other Expense				36	
Acad. Retire.				81	
Non-Acad. Retire.				82	
Overhead				90	

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DEPARTMENT

PREPARED BY: ml

APPROVED BY: Im

PROCESSED BY TAB. DEPT.

October 1, 1959

VIA AIR MAIL

Dr. Leo Szilard
c/o Dr. Robert Livingston
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda 14, Maryland

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Enclosed is a letter addressed to you from Dr. Francis J. Reithel, Program Director for Molecular Biology, National Science Foundation, wherein receipt of your research proposal is acknowledged and request is made for one additional signed copy of the proposal.

Accordingly, enclosed is one copy of the proposal signed by Dean Zachariassen and Mr. Harrell. Will you add your signature in the place indicated and forward the proposal to Dr. Reithel with the enclosed transmittal letter?

By way of explanation - the proposal sent to NSF with our letter dated September 11 included a total of twenty copies, two of which were signed by Dean Zachariassen and Mr. Harrell. However, the NSF needs a copy showing your signature as well, which is the reason for the request made by Dr. Reithel.

Copies of the proposal and our transmittal letter to NSF dated September 11 are being held for you by Mrs. Mann. It is my understanding that she has already explained this to you.

Have you heard anything about your application to NIH?

Sincerely yours,

Irene E. Fagerstrom
Assistant Business Manager
(Special Projects)

Enclosure

- a. 1 copy proposal
 - b. letter to Dr. Reithel
 - c. envelope addressed to NSF
 - d. letter from Dr. Reithel
- cc: Mrs. Mann (for information)
with copy of Reithel letter to
Dr. Szilard

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF RADIO AND TELEVISION

November 29, 1961

Mr. Leo Szilard
Shoreland Hotel
5454 South South Shore Drive
Chicago, Illinois

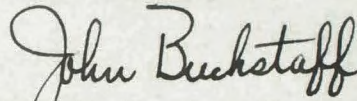
Dear Mr. Szilard:

The University is currently producing a 15-minute radio program called THE WORLD OF THE PAPERBACK. It is broadcast in Chicago over CBS radio and nationally through the facilities of the NAEB Radio Network (WNYC in New York, etc.)

I should be most grateful if you might find a few spare minutes while you are in the city to sit down with our host, Leonard Stein, in Mitchell Tower and discuss a couple of your favorite books in paperbound editions.

We can surely arrange to do this at any time that would be convenient for you. I shall plan to call you at the end of the week.

Yours sincerely,



John B. Buckstaff
Assistant Director
Educational Broadcasting

JBB:ps

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

DATE

12/18/61

TO

Dr. L. Szilard

DEPARTMENT

FROM

W. R. Rossman

DEPARTMENT Assistant to the Comptroller

IN RE: USPHS

Account Code

Med Res H 558

3-5420-00-3908

Enclosed is original of final report covering the above referenced account for funds received from the United States Public Health Service under Grant No. *PG-6876*.

Will you please sign the report in the space provided in the lower left hand corner of page one and return the report to this office for transmittal to the United States Public Health Service. A copy of the report will be sent to you for your files at the same time the report is sent to the Government.

As financial reports must be submitted to Public Health Service as soon after sixty days of the termination date as possible, your prompt attention to the above request will be greatly appreciated.

WRR:ml

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enclosures returned

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20 March 1962

Professor Herbert Anderson
The Research Institutes
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Herb:

Recently I called you about the notification which I received from the Comptroller's Office and which indicated that the University is under the impression that I am on a 4Q contract. You said that you would look into the matter and I should appreciate hearing from you at your convenience.

I wonder whether you have had an opportunity to talk to Jacobson about Milton Weiner.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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FOR NUCLEAR STUDIES

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Office of the Director

March 27, 1962

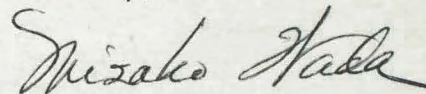
Professor Leo Szilard
Hotel DuPont Plaza
DuPont Circle and New Hampshire Ave., N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Professor Szilard:

I checked with the Comptroller's Office regarding your appointment at the request of Mr. H. L. Anderson. Your appointment should have been 3Q rather than 4Q. I will make a request today for the proper changes, retroactive to January 1, 1962. You should receive a new letter of appointment from the University shortly, correcting the contract.

Should any other problems arise in connection with your appointment, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Misako Wada, Secretary to
Herbert L. Anderson

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
THE DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Office of the Dean

May 16, 1963

Professor Leo Szilard
Hotel Dupont Plaza
Dupont Circle and
New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Herbert Anderson and W. R. Rossman have sent me copies of your letters of May 1.

The question of your post-retirement appointment has not been settled. It is certainly not automatic. It requires my recommendation and approval by the Provost, the President and the Board of Trustees. The fact that a research grant exists for your support for seven years beyond retirement does not commit the University to a post-retirement appointment. Moreover there is nothing that would prevent the granting agency from cancelling the grant if they are not presented with some evidence to show that you have lived up to your obligation to do the work you agreed to do.

As you have not been here for some time we have no way to judge whether or not you have actually been working. I understand that some documents have been sent to you requiring that you certify that you have performed work on the grant. I can hardly even consider the question of a post-retirement appointment until we receive signed copies of these forms.

Cordially yours,

A. A. Albert

A. A. Albert, Dean

CC: H. L. Anderson
E. H. Levi
W. R. Rossman

File Copy

Hotel

Letterhead.

May 17, 1963

Adrian Albert
Office of the Dean
The Physical Sciences Division
Eckart Hall
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Albert:

Sometime ago, I wrote to Herbert Anderson to find out whether any issues would be raised by my statutory retirement in connection with a research grant administered by the University of Chicago which carries me seven years beyond statutory retirement and which takes over my full salary for these seven years. I just received a letter from Anderson saying that you are going to handle this matter.

Yesterday I raised this issue with Edward Levi, Provost of the University, in a letter which contains all of the relevant information and which I am enclosing for your information.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

May 20, 1963

Professor Leo Szilard
Hotel Dupont Plaza
Dupont Circle and New Hampshire Ave., N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Professor Szilard:

Reference is made to your telephone conversation of today with Miss Irene Fagerstrom. The percentage of effort reports, referred to in that conversation, were forwarded to Miss Shirley Cherin on April 25, 1963, and have been returned to me, with your signature. The reports cover the first quarter of calendar year 1963. We, therefore, need nothing further in this area at the present time.

I shall be sending reports for each quarter for your signature. They will be mailed shortly after the end of each calendar quarter.

Very truly yours,



W. R. Rossman
Assistant to Comptroller

WRR:scp

cc: I. E. Fagerstrom

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May 21, 1963

Dean A.A. Albert
The Division of the Physical Sciences
Eckart Hall
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dean Albert:

I wish to thank you for your letter of May 16th in which you advise me that Board of Trustees' action is necessary for a post-retirement appointment. Your letter crossed in the mail with a letter I had written to Edward Levi.

The forms to which the last paragraph of your letter refers were sent to me by the Comptroller's Office late in April. I promptly signed them and returned them. I talked over the telephone to-day with Miss Fagerstrom and she confirmed that Mr. Rossman had received the signed copies of these forms.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

bcc. Levi

May 22, 1963

Dean A.A. Albert
The Division of the Physical Sciences
Eckart Hall
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dean Albert:

I am enclosing for your information a copy of a
letter which I received to-day from the Comptroller's
Office.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
THE DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Office of the Dean

May 29, 1963

Professor Leo Szilard
Hotel Dupont Plaza
Dupont Circle and
New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Professor Szilard:

We have finally cleared up the matter of your post-retirement status. You will retire as scheduled on September 30, 1963 and be given the title of Professor Emeritus. This will be the status of Professors Wentzel and Mulliken. Since they will be here and teaching they will remain on the academic budget and you will not. You are expected to continue on full salary as Principal Investigator on your NIH Grant on a year to year basis depending on the condition of your health. In all such cases fringe benefit contributions by the University cease and this will be true in all of the cases in the Division mentioned. Indeed, there is a statement on page 66 of the Statutes (April 1963) to the effect that in no event shall the University continue its contribution (to your retirement plan) beyond the end of your appointive year. It is my understanding that Social Security payments will be continued.

I trust that this will clear up any confusion in your status.

Cordially yours,

Adrian Albert

A. A. Albert, Dean

CC: H. L. Anderson
M. G. Inghram
E. H. Levi

June 5, 1963

Dean A.A. Albert
The Division of the Physical Sciences
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dean Albert:

I am writing to thank you for your letter of May 29th, which clears up the matter of my post-retirement status. Such minor questions which are left, I can handle by taking them up with the Comptroller's Office directly.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

June 6, 1963

J.R. Johnson
Grants Administrator
Office of the Vice President - Special Projects
Administration Building
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Johnson:

You wrote me on May 10th, drawing my attention to the rules under which I have to ask prior institutional and NIH approval for any expenses which I may wish to charge to my research grant and which result from international travel.

To-day, I am writing to ask for prior institutional approval for such expenses. The facts involved are described in the attached copy of a letter which I have written, to-day, to the National Institutes of Health.

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT • SPECIAL PROJECTS

6/18/63

Dear Dr. Szilard:


Herewith is copy of your letter to Dr. Brewer which by phone today I agreed to send. The second letter, which Dr. Tuve indicated would be necessary, should be addressed to Dr. Brewer but sent to Dean Albert for his approval, countersignature, and mailing to NIH. A copy to this office will be appreciated.

As I suggested, your letter should 1) emphasize the extent to which the meetings and laboratory visits will make direct contributions to the NIH project, 2) indicate how it is estimated the \$1,000 will be spent (with breakdown), and 3) state that adequate funds are presently available in the travel account of the grant to cover the anticipated expenditures (both now and later).

We are furnishing Dean Albert with copies of the letters to you from Dr. Senez (10/15/62), Dr. Kaplan (5/17/63), and Dr. Weisskopf (5/20/63) plus the first letter to Dr. Brewer.

Please advise if we may assist further.

Sincerely,

 J. H. Johnson

Grants Administrator

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Hester

June 6, 1963

Dr. Carl Bremer
The National Institutes of Health
Bethesda 14, Maryland

Dear Dr. Bremer:

I am working at the University of Chicago under a research grant from NIH and I understand that if any of the expenses of a trip abroad are to be charged to my research grant I have to apply for approval prior to going on the trip.

I have an invitation to visit several laboratories in Europe and to attend meetings in Geneva and Marseilles. Photo-copies of these invitations are enclosed. As you see, my travel expenses between Washington and Geneva will be reimbursed either by WHO or CERN.

The issue I wish to raise here is whether I may charge to my grant such additional expenses as may arise up to \$1,000.

In explanation of this query, I may say the following:

When I visited Geneva last October, I suggested to a number of colleagues in Europe that they might set up a European Laboratory for molecular biology in close cooperation with CERN. This suggestion met with favorable response and John Kendrew (Oxford Prize, 1962) expressed his willingness to head up such a laboratory. Since my return to Washington last year a meeting was held at CERN by a number of my colleagues to discuss this matter further and the second such meeting is now scheduled to take place on June 28th. This is the meeting to which the letter of Professor Waldenhopf, Director General of CERN, refers.

While I am in Europe, I would like to visit a number of laboratories where work on human-biology is in progress or where such work could be facilitated. These laboratories include the International Laboratory of Genetics and Biophysics in Naples, Dr. Penzance's laboratory in Milan, Monod's laboratory at the Institut Pasteur in Paris, the Hill Hill's laboratory of the National Research Council in London, headed by Dr. Macleod and Francis Crick's laboratory in Cambridge; I also would like to go to Harrow, if necessary, in order to discuss with the president of the Volksgesundheitsrat the possibility of their collaboration in setting up and maintaining

Dr. Carl Bremer
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laboratories working in the field of molecular biology.

I do not expect to have time to visit all these places, but I would like to visit as many of them as time permits.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Sillard

cc: The University of Chicago

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Joseph J. Gallagher
Office of the Comptroller
The University of Chicago
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Chicago 37, Illinois

*Eleanor - please
get down answers
for me to reply.
I want to be my
having now? Is it
true about Blue Shield?
JG 6/21*

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

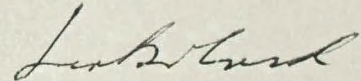
I am writing to inquire whether I could get major medical coverage for my wife, who has Blue Cross and who is 12 years younger than I am, and, if so, what the additional monthly premiums would be. We both have Blue Cross, but neither have Blue Shield.

I understand that if sometime after I have reached retirement age I retire from active service I can continue my major medical insurance during the retirement years at reduced benefits, the maximum benefit being \$5,000. In this connection I have the following question: Assuming that I should now obtain dependent coverage for my wife and later on continue my insurance during retirement at reduced benefits, would my wife's benefits also be similarly reduced, even though she would not have yet reached the age of 65?

I should appreciate receiving your answer, at your convenience, addressed: Attention: Miss Shirley Cherin, c/o Galef & Jacobs, 22 East 40th Street, New York 16, N.Y.

I should appreciate also your sending along with your answer an enrollment card for my wife.

Very truly yours,



Leo Szilard

cc: Miss Shirley Cherin

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
5801 ELLIS AVENUE
TELEPHONE: MIDWAY 3-0800

June 21, 1963

Galef and Jacobs
22 East 40th Street
New York 16, New York

Attention: Miss Shirley Cherin

In re: Major Medical Insurance

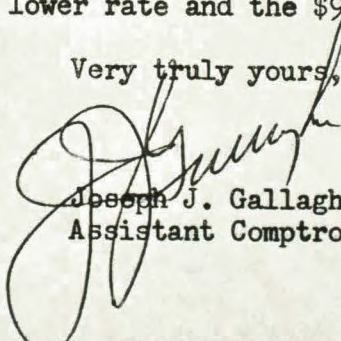
Dear Miss Cherin:

It is possible for Dr. Szilard to enroll his wife as a dependent under his group major medical policy. It would be necessary to have the attached form F-586-5-60 completed in her behalf. At present Dr. Szilard has single major medical insurance and single Blue Cross only coverage. For this coverage, his premium is \$2.10 per month for major medical. If he continued his single Blue Cross coverage but enrolled his wife in major medical, his major medical insurance would be \$9.75 per month. University acceptance of the attached request is subject to acceptance by TIAA.

In answer to the second question, the benefits which are available to the staff member are the same for dependents. That is to say, if Dr. Szilard's wife is enrolled while he continues in active service, full benefits are available to him and to her also so long as he continues active service. Once he retires, his benefits are reduced and hers are too. See page 11, bottom paragraph...The maximum benefit for each insured person ... etc.

The attached white card form F-514-4-63 is also enclosed. This is required in the event Dr. Szilard's wife has her Blue Cross coverage under a group plan with another employer. If she does, Dr. Szilard's premium for major medical (including his wife) would be \$5.55 rather than \$9.75. If she carries Blue Cross under a direct pay plan, we could not apply the lower rate and the \$9.75 rate would prevail.

Very truly yours,


Joseph J. Gallagher
Assistant Comptroller

JJG/cem

cc: Dr. Leo Szilard

June 21, 1963

J.R. Johnson, Grants Administrator
Office of the Vice President - Special Projects
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Many thanks for your note of June 18th. I greatly appreciate the trouble which you have taken in this matter, but, having received Dr. Brewer's letter, I decided to let the matter of travel expenses in Italy and England drop. I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I wrote to Dr. Brewer.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 - ILLINOIS
THE DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Office of the Dean

zJune 24, 1963

Professor Leo Szilard
Hotel Dupont Plaza
Dupont Circle and New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Professor Szilard:

There is still some uneasiness here about our asking the Board of Trustees to approve your post-retirement appointment. That appointment is clearly not justified on the grounds of service to be performed by you here, and so must be based solely on the NIH grant negotiated over three years ago. As you must know, NIH grants are being investigated by a Washington Committee, and we feel it prudent to assure ourselves that a continuation of your grant is really justified. This is particularly true since you are not physically present here and having the normal daily contacts with people interested in the same things you are. A review of your work after three years is reasonable in any case.

I am writing to ask you to prepare a statement now as to your progress on the problems of the grant, and your plans for research for perhaps the next two years. I also want you to come to Chicago to discuss your work with me and a faculty committee which I will assemble. I would like you to come either before July 4, or after July 21 as I will be in California during the period between those dates.

I trust that you will be willing to prepare this statement and to make the proposed visit. I look forward to hearing from you.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Adrian Albert

A.A. Albert
Dean, Phys. Sci. Div.

AAA/tr

cc: E.H. Levi
W. Harrell

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Geneva, 3 July 1963

Dr A.A. Albert
Dean of the Division of the Physical Sciences
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois
USA

Dear Dean Albert,

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 24 June which was forwarded to me in Geneva by my secretary in Washington. (I took a plane from Washington to Geneva in the early morning of Monday, 24 June).

Your letter raises several questions of substance, to which I need to give some thought before responding. Since you write that you will be away from Chicago from 4 to 21 July, I shall address my reply to Edward Levi, and depending upon his answer I might then write to you also.

Sincerely yours,



Leo Szilard

cc: E. H. Levi
W. Harrell

MEMORANDUM

Geneva, 5 July 1963

from : Leo Szilard
to : The University of Chicago

As long as I have no laboratory of my own at my disposal I propose to continue to do theoretical work in certain fields of biology. I have been doing this ever since the Institute of Radiobiology and Biophysics at the University of Chicago was abolished and I lost the laboratory which I had maintained in that Institute.

My work consists in thinking about fundamental problems in biology. If I come across an idea which can be worked out in a quantitative fashion and which in my opinion may be of general interest, I present my results in the form of a published paper. If, in my opinion, my results may be of interest only to those specialized in a narrow field, then I have my manuscript mimeographed and I circulate it to those who are likely to be interested and who might choose to base some of their experiments on my results.

In the following I list the papers which I have published since 1959 and the manuscripts which I have circulated since that time. I shall also give in each case the name of one or two "experts" who have read and understood the published paper or circulated manuscript, and from whom the University could presumably obtain an expression of opinion, if a copy of the paper or manuscript were sent to them to refresh their memory.

1.) I published a theory of the aging process in mammals in the January issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences in 1959. I know that the paper was read and understood by Francis Crick (Nobel Prize, 1962), Medical Research Council, Laboratory for Molecular Biology, Hills Road, Cambridge, England, and by Professor David Hawkins, The University

of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.

2.) Two closely related papers on induced enzyme formation in bacteria and antibody formation in mammals were published in 1961 in the March issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. Professor Herbert Anker at the Department of Biochemistry of the University of Chicago and Professor Baruj Benacerraf, Department of Pathology, the Medical School, New York University, New York City, have read and understood the paper on antibody formation.

3.) In 1961 I circulated a mimeographed manuscript, giving the theory of a method for determining in a quantitative fashion the mutagenic effect of any mutagenic agent in mice by observing the sex linked recessive mutations, among those whom I thought might have an interest in this problem. I had a short correspondence about this manuscript with George Beadle, Chancellor of the University of Chicago, and extensive discussions with Dr Max Zelle of the US Atomic Energy Commission, as well as a geneticist on his staff whose name I do not recall at this moment. Max Zelle thought that an experiment of this sort might be set up in the Argonne National Laboratory. The geneticist on his staff developed a modification of the method proposed and when I last talked to him he planned to carry out such an experiment upon his leaving the Washington office of the AEC to join the Argonne National Laboratory. An expression of opinion might be obtained either from Dr Beadle or Max Zelle, or both, if a copy of the manuscript is sent to them to refresh their memory. A copy of the manuscript was submitted to NIH with my application for renewal of the grant in September 1961 and a copy is on file in the Office of the Vice-President - Special Projects, of the University of Chicago.

4.) A mimeographed manuscript on "dosage compensation in the fruit fly and in mammals" was circulated by me in 1962 and sent to those whom I thought might have a special interest in this problem. One copy of the

manuscript was sent to Professor H.J. Muller, Department of Zoology, University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana, and I received from him a letter containing detailed observations on the manuscript. An expression of opinion might be obtained from Professor Muller, if a copy of the manuscript were sent to him to refresh his memory. A copy of this manuscript was submitted to the NIH in September 1962, together with my application for renewal of the grant, and the Office of the Vice-President - Special Projects at the University of Chicago has a copy of the manuscript on file.

5.) I am preparing a manuscript at the present time, for private circulation, on the dominance of the "perceptible phenotype". This manuscript leans on a recently discovered peculiarity in the behaviour of the sex chromatin in certain hybrids.

I have discussed the "hunch" from which the basic idea of this manuscript originates several years ago with Professor Tracy Sonneborn of the University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana, and I presume the University could obtain an expression of opinion from him concerning the manuscript, after he has received it and has had time to read it. If this manuscript is ready for circulation by the end of September, copies of it will be filed with my application to the NIH for renewal of my research grant. The deadline for filing this application is 30 September.

THE END

Geneva, 6 July 1963

Miss Irene Fagerstrom
Administration Building
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois
USA

Dear Miss Fagerstrom,

My research grant from NIH comes up for renewal, and the application for the renewal of the grant has to be filed, I believe, by the end of September. Since I am at present travelling about in Europe and do not as yet know whether I shall return to Washington before 30 September, I would appreciate your sending me as early as possible the forms which I have to file, airmail, c/o Dr Martin Kaplan, World Health Organization, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

If by the time you receive this letter the University has already mailed me the forms to my Washington address, then please advise me about this airmail at Geneva so that I may contact my secretary in Washington and ask her to forward the forms to me to Geneva.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS
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5801 ELLIS AVENUE

11 July 1963

Re: Renewal of
GM-06876-04

AIR MAIL

Dr. Leo Szilard
c/o Dr. Martin Kaplan
World Health Organization
Palais des Nations
Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Dr. Szilard:

The application materials for the renewal of your NIH research grant are routinely sent each year by NIH to your address here at Chicago on or about August 1. As you know they are due back at Bethesda by October 1.

Mrs. Mann reports that, to date, they have not been received.

Since the form involved (PHS-2590) is supplied only in connection with specific projects and since furnishing NIH with your forwarding address at this time might complicate matters, we believe it would be best to wait for the materials to come and to forward them to you at the above address just as soon as they are received here in Chicago.

We trust that these arrangements will be satisfactory with you and that you will contact us if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



Irene E. Fagerstrom
Assistant Vice President
for Special Projects

Geneva, 12 July 1963

Miss Irene Fagerstrom
Administration Building
The University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Ill.
USA

Dear Miss Fagerstrom,

Under separate cover I am sending you airmail 20 mimeographed copies of a manuscript which I am privately circulating. Please attach as many of the copies to my application for renewal of the research grant of the NIH as is required (application has to be filed before the end of September) and retain the rest in your office until you hear from me again.

My address during the summer is: c/o Dr Martin Kaplan,
World Health Organization, Palais des Nations, Geneva,
Switzerland.

Many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

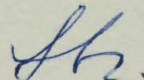
Geneva, 12 July 1963

Dear Mr Gallagher,

... Enclosed I am returning the blanks which you sent to me with your letter of June 21st addressed to Miss Shirley Cherin, c/o Galef and Jacobs, in re: Major Medical Insurance.

I have left my TIAA certificate number blank, but I assume that your office would be in a position to fill in this number. Otherwise, the blanks you sent me have been filled in. If there is any further information that you need, please write again to Miss Cherin.

Very truly yours,



L. Szilard

Mr Joseph J. Gallagher
Office of the Comptroller
The University of Chicago
5801 Ellis Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois
USA

... ENC.

cc Miss Cherin

Gertrud Weiss Szilard

Wife

December 28, 1909

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years later. A major medical insurance policy was issued to her by
Guardian which excludes tuberculosis.

There is no evidence that my wife ever had tuberculosis and no
tuberculosis bacillus was ever found in her case at the National
Jewish Hospital in Denver.

My wife had an automobile accident in September 1957 and broke several
ribs. Subsequently, she developed pleurisy and was hospitalised at the
National Jewish Hospital in Denver from March 1958 to September 1958.
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cause of the traumatic pleurisy, she was treated with isoniazide. She had
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history, in the Spring of 1960 Connecticut General declined to write a major

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*Dr. Gallagher
Sent July 1963*

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Miss Irene Fagerstrom
Administration Building
University of Chicago
Chicago 37
Illinois

Geneva, 7th August, 1963

Dear Miss Fagerstrom,

Some time ago I sent you about 20 or 21 copies of a multi-graphed paper which is being privately circulated. Of the copies I sent you the required number should be attached to my application for a renewal of my research grant with the N.I.H.

I shall send you, under separate cover, 21 copies of a preprint of another paper. Out of these the required number of copies should also be attached to my application for the renewal of the grant.

Incidentally, I have not yet received the application form and I should be grateful if, upon the receipt of this letter, you would find out whether these forms have been sent to me by Mrs. Mann or by your office.

My address remains, until further notice, c/o Dr. Martin Kaplan, World Health Organization, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

When I receive the forms I shall confirm this to you by cable.

In the meantime, I shall appreciate your acknowledging the receipt of the required number of multigraphed copies of the two papers, to which this letter and my previous letter refer.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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THE DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Office of the Dean

August 8, 1963

Professor Leo Szilard
c/o Dr. Martin Kaplan
World Health Organization
Palais de Nations
Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Leo:

I read your letter and agree that it would not be reasonable to insist that you return at this time. However, we do expect you to come here in October, if possible.

You seem to have put a wrong interpretation on my request that you talk to some people here about your work. In the present situation I am being asked to give approval, as Dean, of work in an area in which I have no competence whatever. If this work is ever questioned, as it might very well be with NIH under investigation by a Congressional Committee, I would certainly be in a very weak position and subject to criticism. If you lived here and were carrying on discussions of work with your colleagues I would certainly feel that there would be some basis for my approval.

However, since you are really only using the University as a funding agency and not as the institution in which you do your work, I feel unable to judge the quality of your work or whether you are fulfilling your obligation to NIH to any reasonable extent. I am therefore asking you to come here and talk to a group of people about your work. I would be particularly pleased if you yourself were to suggest perhaps three or four people here who might be competent to judge the work. I am not asking you to appear before a committee to defend your work, but rather to come to talk to people about it as I assume you would do if your relationship with colleagues

Professor Szilard
August 8, 1963
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here were more normal.

I have agreed to sign your application for renewal with the understanding that, if it is decided by Mr. Beadle, Mr. Levi, and myself that we should withdraw the application, we will do so. I do feel that we are obliged to support you (using grant funds if possible) for another year, and I expect the University to live up to this obligation.

I trust that this arrangement is satisfactory to you.

With best regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Adrian

A. A. Albert, Dean

CC: E. H. Levi

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Mr. W.R. Rossman
Administration Building
University of Chicago
Chicago 37, Illinois
United States of America

Geneva, 15th August, 1963

Dear Mr. Rossman,

Enclosed I am sending the Effort Distribution Report in two copies, which was forwarded to me by my accountant, Miss Shirley Cherin. I have signed these reports, but I do not understand why the percentage of effort is listed as 73.3%. I suppose that this is all right, but I should be grateful if you were to check it.

Since I am not teaching and have no other duties, and since my research work is theoretical work in quantitative biology, there is, of course, no way of telling what percentage of my total effort would be chargeable on an actual basis to the contract. There is, in these circumstances, no reason to deviate from what seems to be called the "predetermined basis", as long as the predetermined basis is correctly listed.

If it does not cause too much trouble, could you let me know on what basis the 73.3% is ~~generally~~ computed.

Sincerely yours,

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Leo Szilard

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August 20, 1963

Dr. L. Szilard
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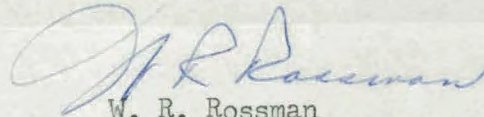
Dear Dr. Szilard:

Reference is made to your memo of August 15, 1963 relative to the percentage of 73.3 shown in the Effort Distribution Report. This percentage, shown in the column "Chargeable on a predetermined basis", represents the percentage of your salary charged against the PHS grant. The balance of your salary is paid from University funds.

In accordance with the new PHS policy, we are required to demonstrate that each person actually devotes, as a minimum, a percentage of his total effort not less than the percentage of his salary charged to the grant. Thus, the percentage on an actual basis could be the same as, or more than the percentage charged on a predetermined basis, dependent upon the facts of each case. If the actual percentage were less, a credit would have to be given to the grant.

I hope the above adequately answers your question.

Very truly yours,



W. R. Rossman
Assistant to Comptroller

WRR:scp

Miss Irene Fagerstrom
Assistant Vice President
Office of the Vice President - Special Projects
The University of Chicago
5801 Ellis Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois
United States of America.

Geneva, 21 August, 1963

Dear Miss Fagerstrom,

I am writing to acknowledge the receipt of your very kind letter of August 16, with the listed enclosures. I appreciate your having gone to all this trouble to make it easy for me to fill out the application forms. I shall do this within the next few days and return the forms to your office by airmail.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

c/o Dr. Martin Kaplan
World Health Organization
Palais des Nations
Geneva, Switzerland.

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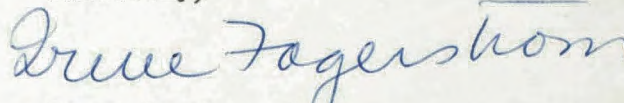
Mr. Leo Szilard
Hotel DuPont Plaza
DuPont Circle
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Szilard:

Returned herewith are additional copies of the following preprints which were left over following submission of the required number with your continuation application to NIH:

1. On The Occasional Dominance of the "Perceptible Phenotype" in Man
2. The Aging Process and The "Competitive Strength" of Spermatozoa

Sincerely,



Irene E. Fagerstrom
Assistant Vice President
Special Projects

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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February 18, 1964

Professor Leo Szilard
Hotel Dupont
Dupont Circle & New Hampshire Ave., N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Dr. Szilard:

Two copies of the University's form number 198, Effort Distribution Report, for the quarter of October 1, 1963 to December 31, 1963 were sent to you in January. Our records indicate that they have not been returned to this office. I am enclosing a copy of the report. Would you please certify the report, with corrections if necessary, and return to this office?

If I may be of assistance in this matter, please advise.

Very truly yours,

W. R. Rossman
W. R. Rossman
Assistant to Comptroller

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Enclosure

*Document returned
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