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Gentlemen.

With reference to your letter of the 16th September, 1935 (C/G) I am directed to inform you that in accordance with your suggestion arrangements were made for Dr Szilard to visit the Research Department at Woolwich on 27th September 1935, on which date he was afforded an opportunity fully to explain his ideas to the Director of Radiological Research.

The information given by Dr Szilard and the views expressed by him have been carefully considered with the result that the Department has confirmed the decision previously communicated to the effect that there appears to be no reason to keep the specification secret so far as the War Department is concerned.

I am to ask if you would be good enough to communicate this decision to Dr Szilard and at the same time thank him for the trouble he has taken in the matter.

In conclusion I am to say that the Department appreciates the action you have taken to facilitate consideration and review of the proposal.

I am, Gentlemen.  
Your obedient Servant.

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