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Naval Ordnance Laboratory
Navy Yard
Washington, D.C.

Dear Doctor Atanasoff:

I certainly enjoyed our visit. It seems that we were much less harrassed by telephone calls and other interruptions. Thank you for a most pleasant time.

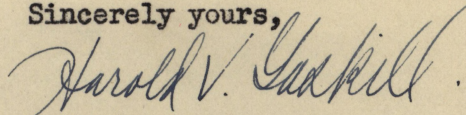
The next afternoon when I met with Commander Burwell, I had a most interesting visit. He brought in Mr. F. M. Varney (Bureau of Ships, section 339, room T-5-2066, Navy Department) and Lieutenant Commander Vonderlage. They discussed work in acoustics, such as the identification of propellor sounds and other ship noises, and I referred them to you. It seemed to me that your new set up is exactly the thing that is needed. Mr. Varney knew about your work in general but didn't realize, I am sure, how extensive it has been and how thoroughly you are set up and staffed. He plans to visit you in your laboratory.

I was of course very cautious in not discussing things in too great detail, but I felt that if the Bureau of Ships has significant research to be conducted in this general area it might very well be headed up in your laboratory with perhaps some collaboration with us. I shall await your comments after these people get in touch with you.

I presume that someone in the publicity department will be getting in touch with you or at least sending a general outline in the future.

I have just returned and have not had time yet to talk with Earls and Legvold about the equipment which I discussed with Mr. Ellinghaus. I will get at that within the next two weeks.

Sincerely yours,



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