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Professor Stewart S. Cairne Chairman, Department of Mathematics University of Illinois Urbana, Illinois

Dear Professor Cairns:

I am highly pleased to learn that you have consented to serve as Chairman of the second seminar to be conducted for us at the Institute for Munerical Analysis next susser.

In order that you may have greater freedom for concentration on the technical direction of the seminar, as well as more time to devote to your own research, I am asking Dr. J. H. Curtiss, Chief of the National Applied Eathematics Laboratories, to arrange to designate some person, preferably a member of the IMA staff, to serve as Executive Secretary. I inclose a copy of my letter to him and will advise you promptly of the nature of his reply.

In response to your letter of 31 October 1952, with regard to the advisability of your coming to washington for three days, on 10, 11, and 12 November, travel orders for the journey are already on the way. Since they were sent by air mail they should certainly reach you by ? November.

I hope you will find time during this visit to drop in for a for minutes that with me.

Sincerely.

BALPH J. CANTHE Major General, SS Army Director, Armed Forces Security Agency

1 Incl Copy of litr to Dr. Curtiss

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M/R: In a telephone conversation with Mr. Friedman, on 31 October 1952, Prof. Cairns accepted the tender of Chairmanship of the next seminar, subject to his being provided with assistance to take care of administrative details. W.F.Friedman/Ext. 50493/4 Nov 52