Dr. Claude Shannon  
Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc.  
Murray Hill, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Shannon:

This is to acknowledge your acceptance of the invitation to visit the National Security Agency during the first week in May to participate in the work of the Subcommittee on General Purpose Flexible Analytic Equipment. I am sorry you will be unable to be here on the first day, but that should not affect your participation on May 5, 6, and 7.

If you will plan to arrive at the National Security Agency, 3801 Nebraska Avenue, Washington, at 8:30 a.m. on the morning of 5 May, we will have someone at the gate to meet you.

I am enclosing copies of your travel orders and a transportation request for this trip. Also enclosed for your convenience is an instruction sheet with the required forms so that you may receive compensation for your services as promptly as possible upon their completion.

In addition to the activity of this special subcommittee, we are now planning a joint meeting of all three Panels of the NSA Scientific Advisory Board on 21 May. It is intended to devote that day to a detailed presentation and discussion of some of our technical problems and to plans for subsequent panel activities.

It is sincerely hoped that you will also be able to attend the 21 May meeting. If you will let me know that you plan to attend, I will have the necessary orders sent to you.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN  
Executive Secretary  
NSA Scientific Advisory Board

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M/R: Acknowledges Mr. Shannon’s intention to visit NSA 5-7 May '54. Forwards orders and travel voucher forms.  
Refers to 21 May NSASAB Panel meeting.

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