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Mr. William F. Friedman 310 2nd Street, S. E. Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Friedman:

At the meeting of the Board on 9 October, the question was raised as to whether or not the members of the Board should tender their resignations to General Canine, effective as of the end of his tenure as Director of the National Security Agency, in order to give the new Director a complete free hand. The Executive Secretary was directed to inquire as to the appropriate course of action and the desires of the new Director. This was done and I am happy to report to the members of the Board that the reply to this query was that there was no reason or desire on the part of the successor to General Canine for any of the Board members to resign.

Sincerely,

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S. KULLBACK Executive Secretary NSA Scientific Advisory Board

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