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Stone, Marshall

To Mr Friedman  
Personally

PEC has decided not to  
with draw Q clearance  
we are now awaiting only  
Robertson's reply.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37, ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

July 14, 1952.

Dear Howard:

I am writing again in regard to the matter about which we corresponded at some length last spring and summer. I wish to press the matter further at this time because I expect to be much freer to undertake the work in question than I have been for many years. I have given up the chairmanship here and am cutting down in other ways on activities of a non-scientific character.

It is still my view, formed on the basis of my war-time observations, that there is every reason for bringing some first-class mathematical talent to bear on the problems involved. If I could contribute something not out of line with my achievements in mathematics, I would feel remiss in not making the effort to do so at a time when the country finds itself in a truly critical position.

Mr. Friedman asked me last year to keep in touch with him about consulting possibilities. Nothing has come of this, though I had a letter from him the other day indicating that something might turn up later. This letter was in answer to a note I sent him.

It is, of course, not impossible that there is a snag about clearance. When I received Q-clearance for WSEG last year, it was the result of an 11 months inquiry, toward the end of which I had to supply the Secretary of JCS with analyses of three points on which satisfaction was desired. I did a little work for WSEG during the winter, and, on the strength of my consultant-ship there, also visited the Sandia Corporation. In view of the history of this matter, I can imagine that the same or similar points might have caused trouble in connection with AFSA clearance, if anything at all was done about it during the past year. If you should learn that such is the case, I would hope that I might have a chance to analyse any bothersome points which may have come up.

With best regards,

As ever,

/s/ Marshall Stone

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11 JUL 1952

Dr. Marshall H. Stone  
Department of Mathematics  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Stone:

Receipt of your letter of 18 June 1952 is acknowledged. I wish to apologize for tardiness in replying and to thank you for keeping me informed as to your future greater availability for consultation.

Should it develop that you could help us in connection with any special mathematical studies, we shall be glad to avail ourselves of your valuable assistance.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN  
Consultant

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W.F.Friedman/eby/9 July 52  
Consultant

MEMO FOR RECORD: Over a year ago Dr. Stone was considered a potential member of SCAG. Due to his university obligations he could not then participate. In his 18 June 52 letter he informs Mr. Friedman of his availability for future consideration along the same lines.

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## REMARKS

*I think it's too bad that we can't have him as a member of new SCAC.*

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 · ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

June 18, 1952.

Dear Mr. Friedman:-

It may be appropriate to let you know that I have not only finished my duties as Visiting Lecturer of the American Mathematical Society (they proved to be heavy, involving visits to more than fifty institutions and more than 25,000 miles of rail travel) but also completed my service of two terms as chairman of this Department (except for a couple of weeks till the end of the month). I shall have to act as chairman during the summer for my colleague and successor S. MacLane, but I plan to turn most of the job over to one of our younger men who is qualified. Otherwise I am to be free of obligations than I have been for ten or fifteen years. Essentially I have to give just one course during each of the next two quarters. After that I plan to go to Europe (about January, next) to deliver some lectures at the College

de France and to get some vacation afterwards.

In view of these facts there would seem to be no better time to pursue the suggestions you made more than a year ago, in case you still have them in mind.

With all best wishes to Mrs. Friedman and yourself, I am

Sincerely yours,

Marshall H. Stone