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Mr. William F. Friedman
Army Security Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Friedman:

In 1948 Mr. Albert Cahn of the Institute for Numerical Analysis, National Bureau of Standards, wrote you about the possibility of my assisting the Agency in some way. Now, for the first time, I am able to do so.

Of the many mathematical projects conducted here, some are of direct or indirect interest to the Agency. One of these is the study of language translation by machine - of which you are aware, no doubt. Dr. H. D. Huskey, who supervises this work, has authorized me to send you a pre-publication copy of the first report on the language translation study. In addition, I have enclosed a copy of our Quarterly Report (July - September, 1950). Page 22 of this Report is devoted to the status of the above project, while the second half of page 14 is concerned with the generation of random digits.

Since leaving the Agency, I have been working in mathematical statistics. At present, I am a pre-doctoral fellow on the research staff of the INA at the UCLA campus. For this reason my attention has been caught by several mathematical articles, or projects of interest to you. I would be delighted to hear from you as to whether these items are helpful in any way.

Sincerely,

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