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Dr. John H. Curtiss Chief, National Applied Mathematics Laboratory National Bureau of Standards

Dear Dr. Curtiss:

The results of the seminar in mathetics conducted by your Institute for Numerical Analysis for this Agency during the summer are most encouraging. I would like very much to have the seminar repreated next year, and have instructed my contracting agents to make the appropriate arrangements.

In the meantime, some of the highly classified documents used in the seminar are being stored in a safe-file in the Institute. These documents were left in the custody of Dr. C. B. Tompkins for his use during the winter. Since the safe-guarding of these documents is my responsibility, I should like to have your approval of the present arrangements.

If the storage of these documents in the Institute is in any way awkward for you, please let me know so that I may take appropriate action.

Thank you very much for your kindness and cooperation. Please extend my appreciation to your staff and to Professor Hestenes.

Sincerely,

/s/Ralph J. Canine
RALPH J. CANINE
Major General, US Army
Director, Armed Forces Security Agency

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AG (2) SEC (1) R/D (5) 301C 0JT 302C 34 MEMO FOR RECORD: After telephone authorization from General Canine, Prof. Cairns left SECRET documents in the custody of Dr. Tompkins. This letter is for the purpose of authorizing Dr. Tompkins to retain them, and to make I.N.A. responsible for their safe keeping.

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