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18th March 1965

Your Excellency:

I am writing to ask if you will be good enough to arrange for the two Declarations that accompany this letter, signed by Nobel Prizewinners from all over the world, to be brought to the attention of His Holiness the Pope.

These Declarations have no other purpose than to give His Holiness evidence of the sincerity and sense of urgency with which a large group of learned men hope for the solution of a most difficult and perplexing problem. We felt that anything which might help his Holiness in the onerous task that now faces him would be a contribution towards that solution.

The two Declarations do not differ in substance: that signed by American prizewinners (or prizewinners temporarily in America) is the longer.

My fellow laureates will learn with great gratitude of your kind offices in this matter, and on their behalf as well as my own I thank you most cordially for your help.

I am, Your Excellency,

Yours very sincerely,



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