Commissioner John von Neumann Atomic Energy Commission Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Professor von Neumann:

I imagine your official duties do not leave you much time to sustain your academic interests, but perhaps you will recall our earlier brief correspondence on the subject of "self-reproduction".

Since then, I have prepared the Englowing comment as part of a paper to be published in a Growth Society symposium by the Princeton University Press. I am looking forward to receiving any comment you may wish to make.

Yours sinceraly,

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