Dr. Orr S. Reynolds, Director Bioscience Programs Office of Space Sciences & Applications National Aeronautics and Space Administration Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Orr:

Dr. Richard Masland, Director of the NINDB was here yesterday on a visit of the Advisory Board to the Kennedy Foundation, and I had a chance to give him a thumbnail: sketch of some of our aspirations in automating research operation. This just happens to coincide with something he is interested in, namely the development of automatic amino acid analyzers and analyzers for screening of body fluids. He might, therefore, also be a useful person to talk to with regard to a NASA NIH cooperation for our development efforts.

I enjoyed our session over the last weekend very much, although I can't remember when I have had a more strenuous intellectual exercise than trying to put these plans together. I really am excited about the possibilities that were opened up here and will continue to do what I can to meet the sort of strenuous schedule that we did put on.

Cordially,

Joshua Lederberg Professor of Genetics

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