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Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner Space Science Board National Academy of Sciences 2101 Constitution Avenue Washington, D.C.

Dear Lloyd:

i have your communication of 1 December and the attached material on the prospective future of the Board. I think your plan is a constructive one; I would hope that It might be possible to twist Jim Van Allen's arm to succeed you as Chairman.

With bestawishes for the new year,

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg Professor of Genetics