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Mr. Herbert I. Orier
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
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Cambridge 39, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Orier:

The President has requested the Atomic Energy Commission to convey his commendation to the scientific personnel responsible for the success of the 1945 atomic weapon test program at Trinity Atoll.

Your abilities as a scientist and as an engineer were brilliantly displayed in your design and installation of the firing and timing circuits and in the exceptionally good results obtained from your measurements of nuclear reaction phenomena. Your work was a singularly outstanding contribution to the success of the test program.

The results of the proof tests make possible significant advances in our weapon research and development program. The Commission extends to you my sincere thanks for your participation. You personally have rendered the nation a great service and it is the Commission's privilege to convey to you the commendation of the President.

Sincerely yours,

UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

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