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Dear Drs. Meselson and Robinson:

We have now spent some time with your article, and we find it most interesting. We look forward to publishing it in Scientific American. I cannot tell you precisely when it will appear, but I do not think that you will have long to wait. We like to achieve a balance among the sciences in each of our issues, and for this reason alone we must often briefly delay the publication of excellent articles.

A couple of months before the article goes to press we will undertake to do a certain amount of editing. Our proposals will not be trivial, but I hope it goes without saying that you will have an opportunity to correct and if need be, further rework the edited manuscript.

I shall next write you, then, when we have chosen the issue in which the article will appear. While I am at it, I give each of you a check for \$250 in payment for the article.

Sincerely,



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