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Dear Matthew,

There are several reasons but none unfortunately wholly persuasive why you haven't got a letter from me earlier thanking you for your kindness and hospitality during my stay in Cambridge. As I mentioned, I had an extremely fruitful visit to the United States and met a number of people (a list is annexed), who were able to give advice, comments and suggestions for the programme of the Institute. It was unfortunate that my visit had to be cut shorter than intended which prevented me from seeing i.a. Mr. Palfrey (whom I tried unsuccessfully to contact).

My intention was to send you a report on the outcome of our deliberations on a programme for the Institute. The process of decision has, however, been somewhat slower than I optimistically calculated and the enclosed memorandum therefore as yet only reflects my own views. Among the projects mentioned we have in fact only decided upon Nos. 1, 2 and 4.

On the BW we have now asked the French scholar, Mr. Meyrowitz, to undertake a preliminary study on legal (and political) problems relating to this subject. He was recommended i.a. by your colleague at Harvard (at the moment visiting professor in Cambridge, England), professor Baxter, who had evidently taken an interest in the problem. We are, however, still looking for a suitable person to delve deeper into the political problems closely related to the technical aspects on verification etc of non-production and non-use. Our own ideas in regard to the scope of such a study is given in the enclosed memorandum. Your comments are invited.

On the technical side we are also in the recruiting stage. I am myself of course entirely unable to judge the usefulness of this part and the memorandum which you find enclosed is then still more at your mercy for suggestions, objections etc. As you see it is prepared against the background of Pugwash recommendations and some studies which we asked Mr. Tammelin to undertake. Björnerstedt, I believe, has also written to you about some paper which we hoped to get from you.

9 We will send this one to you later after some discussions in the Board

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As you probably know, the question of BCW is now also up for consideration in the UN. For your possible interest I enclose a copy of the relevant draft resolution.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Best regards

Yours

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