

September 5, 1969

Mr. Han Swyter
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Dear Mr. Swyter:

It is highly pleasing to hear from Matthew Meselson that you will take part in the Symposium on Chemical and Biological Warfare on October 13 during the meeting of the National Academy of Sciences at Dartmouth College. On behalf of Dartmouth College and of the Academy I write to express this pleasure and to offer our help with local arrangements for your visit.

First, as to the symposium itself: a copy of the final roster of participants is enclosed. We expect that some 600 to 800 people will be in attendance. Perhaps 50 to 70 of these will be Academy members. Many of the others will be faculty members and students, not only from Dartmouth but also to some extent from other colleges and universities in the area. We also hope that Senator McIntyre, who will give a public lecture the same evening, will manage to get here in time to be at your symposium.

As Meselson may have said, he would like to take up with the participants in the symposium the possibility of publishing prepared papers based on it. If this appears desirable, a possible vehicle would be the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences; but I am sure that this is not the only choice.

The Academy meeting runs from Monday morning, October 13 through Wednesday noon. On Tuesday morning there will be another symposium, a sort of round-table discussion of the relative merits or demerits of manned and unmanned space exploration. Among the participants are Colonel Frank Bormann and Dr. W. H. Pickering, Director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. Still another symposium is wholly scientific and concerns The Forms of Water.

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Enclosed please find a copy of the preliminary announcement of the meeting that was sent to Academy members. Also enclosed is a card on which I ask you to indicate your housing requirements and the events for which you will be here (of course, as guest of the College and the Academy). We have already reserved a double room*for you and Mrs. Swyter for the nights of October 12, 13 and 14, but we would be grateful to know your exact needs so that we can release any hotel space to other registrants, and so I should be thankful to have you return the card to me promptly. If there are any other ways in which we can help you before or during your stay in Hanover, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Walter H. Stockmayer
Chairman of Local Arrangements

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cc: M. S. Meselson ✓

*at Hanover Inn