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November 8, 1948

Dr. Edward Teller
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Teller:


The basic facts discussed in your letter to me of August 30, 1948 have been brought to the attention of responsible individuals in the Security Division of the Atomic Energy Commission. I am assured that this information will in no way affect your clearance for work at Los Alamos. It is also requested that I express to you the appreciation of individuals connected with this problem for your concern that all pertinent information concerning yourself be available to the authorities.

At your convenience, and possibly on the occasion of one of your visits to Los Alamos, I believe it would be desirable if you discussed with the senior agent of the FBI at Los Alamos the actual names of the individuals identified as Mr. "A" and Mr. "B" in your letter. This is entirely independent of the Atomic Energy Commission and is only for the purpose of making sure that the position of the United States is as strong as possible with respect to possible unfriendly individuals. The execution of this suggestion is entirely at your discretion, but you can be assured that any information of this nature which you may give the FBI would be kept entirely confidential, that your name would not be involved, and that the rights of the individual concerned would be fully protected.

It is my belief and also that of responsible individuals of the Security Division that your consideration of interrupting your work at Chicago in Abstract Theoretical Physics in order to render aid in applied science at Los Alamos with the knowledge that this work is in connection with weapons is a manifestation of your loyalty to the United States.

Insofar as reading publications about Russia - favorable or unfavorable - is concerned, I believe any reasonable and intelligent person will recognize that such reading is in keeping with certain basic principles of this country to have a well informed citizenry.

Sincerely yours,


N. E. Bradbury
Director

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