15 January 1953

P. S.

Dear Stewart:

The inclosed is of course just a form letter which is being sent to all the members of the Board. You will be no doubt interested to know that the following will be in attendance: Wilks, Howard T. Engstrom, von Neumann, H. O. Corwith, of Western Union, McPherson of IBM, H. P. Robertson, and Elmer W. Engetrom. We were fortunate in getting acceptance from the last named man, who was the first choice on your list with Forrester, Arthur Samuel, and Shockley as alternates. The Bell Laboratories representative is not yet known and, because of the time it takes to ascertain the clearance status of an individual, he may not be able to participate in this first meeting. The RDB representative is likely to be Dr. L. T. E. Thompson who's clearance status I will learn by tomorrow or the next day and I think it will be satisfactory. However, if not ascertainable very soon, we may have Mr. Speakman serve as RDB representative for the first meeting. I will keep you informed of any changes in the forgoing information.

You may already have received your traval orders, as requested in your letter of 23 December, for a period of approximately 5 days, commencing on or about 1 February. It will be very nice if you can be here a day or two before the opening of the Board meeting.

Sincerely,

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