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Pear Dr. Thompsont

It is with regret that I learn from General Canine that your commitments are such as to preclude your accepting his invitation to membership on the Electronics Panel of the Estional Security Agency Scientific Advisory Board at this time.

He has asked me to express his regret, too, and to say that perhaps sometime in the future your consitments will relax to the point where you feel you could accept this invitation. If that should prove to be the case, I would appreciate your informing me of the change in your situation.

Your offer to serve in an Ad Hoc capacity is greatly appreciated. I may contact you at a later date on this basis.

At this time let me thank you on behalf of General Canine for your assistance in the past and for your kind consideration of his invitation even though you are unable to accept it at the moment.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN Executive Secretary ESA Scientific Advisory Board

cc: AG C/S S/ASST (Mr. Friedman)

M/R: Acknowledgment of Dr. Thompson's ltr dtd 23 Feb 54. Dr. Thompson will be unable to accept the Director's invitation of membership on the Electronics Panel of the NSASAB.

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