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Sundsvik, Sept. 27, 1955.

Mr. William F. Friedman,
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Dear Bill:

I am now in position to give you some answers to your questions in your last letter.

The final results of the medical examinations, which Annie underwent, were favorable; no organic troubles could be found, and the only fault they found, was that Annie was very much overworked. I only hope that it will be possible to keep her at a suitable speed, - you know that this is easier to promise than to keep!

We are now leaving on the 29th, and as we will stop over at Copenhagen, Kiel and the Hague, we will not be in Zug before the 8 or 9 of October.

As to the proposed visit by Mr. Shinn, we shall be glad to receive him any time after Oct. 20. He should however take the following into consideration:

I have just been advised by Zug that our first prototype of our machine with rotors should be completed at the end of October. It is of course impossible to say now, if it will function satisfactorily at once, or if it will need more or less time for trimming in. As soon as this machine is ready, it will be taken to Paris, where it will be shown to our French friends, and where it will remain for quite some time..

If Mr. Shinn is keen on seeing this machine, then this can be done only before the machine is shipped to Paris; and from the foregoing you will gather, that the date for shipment cannot be given before the end of next month.

On the other hand, there will probably be more leisure for talks after we have been in Paris.

It would be well, if you could give me - to Zug - an indication as to when Mr. Shinn would prefer to come, and I will then give an answer to this.

I met Mr. Gylden the other day. He is the export manager for ASTRA which is the most important Swedish pharmaceutical works. Mr. Gylden has five more years before he can retire, and when he retires, he expects to take up cryptography again. He told me that his cryptolibrary had consisted of over 240 volumes, and that he had given it to the /govmnt/ organization, with which he had worked during the second war. If it interests you, I could probably get you a list of these books.

I do hope that you feel better and better! Annie and I now send