

2 April 1954

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Dear Professor Forrester:

In connection with the inclosed letter from Mr. John C. McPherson, Chairman of the Subcommittee on General Purpose Flexible Analytic Equipment, I hereby extend to you a cordial invitation to come to Washington on 3 May 1954, a day in advance of the opening session of the meetings of the Subcommittee, which are scheduled for 4-7 May.

If you are able to accept this invitation you will have an opportunity to obtain a bit of background information relative to our activities, and to make a brief tour of some of our working areas. A day spent in that way may be very useful to you in gaining some ideas which will be of value in connection with your participation in the work of the subcommittee.

All other members of the subcommittee have already had the benefit of such orientation by virtue of past association with NSA, or its predecessors. It is my hope that you will find yourself able to accept my invitation to obtain similar orientation in advance of the opening of the Conference. However, should that not be possible, arrangements can be made for your orientation before that date or at the conclusion of the Conference or even on a convenient date subsequent thereto.

Travel orders can be issued to you in advance of the date indicated, if you will advise me that you can come and what mode of transportation you prefer.

Our headquarters are at the Navy Security Station, 380 Nebraska Avenue, N. W., Washington. My office telephone number is Liberty 5-6700, Extension 60493; my home telephone number is Lincoln 6-8520.

Hoping you will be able to come on 3 May and will be prepared to spend the full week with us, I am,

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN
Executive Secretary

NSA Scientific Advisory Board

Incl:

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