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Dear Frank:

Dr. Struve and I had only brief conversations on June 16 with Jack Luton because he had to go to a meeting called by the BOB.

Concerning the Director's House, the BOB had sent a letter on June 8 approving the use of already-appropriated funds. I have written to Irving Bowman stressing the importance of holding the cost per square foot to the range stipulated by the BOB, and am sending you copies of this correspondence. Because Jack has to clear the house plans with BOB, he suggests we send him four copies of the preliminary plans, specifications, and cost estimates. This will have to be after we hear from Dr. Struve and Lloyd has been here on June 26 to review the IBA proposals.

We have an appointment at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 15, to meet with Jack and others of the NSF to discuss the FY 1961 budget. I have learned from Lynn that this conflicts with Lloyd's schedule and I do not know how it will be resolved. Meanwhile, you, John Findlay, and Dave Heeschen should hold July 15; Dr. Struve will return from Europe on July 14 and can attend, I would come, and perhaps Lew Burchill, although this last is not firm.

Jack said he would proceed promptly to amend our contract, in accordance with the recent NS Board action, to permit us to take title to vehicles and proceed to license them. I pointed out to him that local transportation was pretty tight because we had never been able to get a replacement station wagon.

Sincerely,

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