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Grote Reber
General Delivery
Bothwell, Tasmania
Australia 7030

Dear Grote:

What a great idea. NRAO would be delighted to receive your historic materials. We can put selected items on display in Green Bank as you suggest and find an appropriate place to store the rest.

As a first step can you estimate for me the total weight, total volume, and number of boxes so we can begin to look into the most convenient and cost effective method of shipping. Surprising as it may appear, sometimes it is not much more expensive, and certainly faster and more convenient, to ship individual boxes by air rather than to get involved with freight agencies.

How long do you think you will want to stay in Green Bank to get things organized? A month? I think we can provide accommodation and expenses for that sort of time as well as for your trip from Tasmania.

I suggest that we aim for some time in the Spring of 1994. That will give you and us time to get organized. Anyway, as you well know, winter in Green Bank can be rather grim, and it will be more pleasant to be there after the snows are over.

I will send you the dimensions of the building so you can begin to think about arranging items for display.

I suspect there will need to be a fair bit of exchange of information between now and next spring. Is there a FAX machine in Bothwell that you can be reached at? It would save a few weeks on each turnaround. If you keep track of your FAX expenses, NRAO will reimburse you.

I was overwhelmed by the extent of your collection when I visited Bothwell, and regretted that I did not have time to see what was in all those boxes. We are all enthusiastic about the opportunity to see this material in Green Bank.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken".

K. Kellermann

P.S. I can't even touch my fingers to the ground without bending my knees.