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VIA AIR MAIL

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Dear Dr. Reber:

Thank you for your letter of December 28. I am sorry that Dr. Keller was unable to visit your installation in Tasmania during his recent trip to Australia. His schedule was very crowded with discussions of the many aspects of possible United States support for the large Mills cross at the University of Sydney.

I greatly appreciate your kind words about the Directorelect of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank. We are fortunate that we can obtain the services of a man of Dr. Pawsey's experience and competence.

Your idea to build at Green Bank experimental models of various radio telescope designs is an excellent one. The NRAO budget is flexible enough to include funds for this purpose. I suggest that you discuss your ideas with Dr. Pawsey whose recommendations would be given most careful consideration.

I am interested to hear that you are continuing in Tasmania the experiments with beans which you started at Green Bank.

Sincerely yours,

Alan T. Waterman

Director

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