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Dr. Grote Reber,
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Dear Grote:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Dr. Kerwin supporting the Long Baseline Array. As yet there has been no decision at a high level on whether or not to proceed. We expect to hear sometime after February 17th.

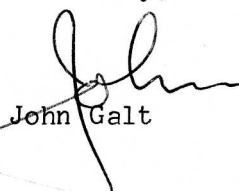
The money which you sent to this Observatory last year has been placed in a special account, separate from our regular operating and capital funds. We plan to use it for projects which, for one reason or another, could not be financed through normal channels. These are some of the uses which are being considered.

- 1) To pay expenses for visiting scientists to work at Penticton in circumstances where NRC is unable to provide a position.
- 2) To assist in the design study (Phase II) of the Long Baseline Array.
- 3) To design and build a prototype of a Foucault Pendulum of unprecedented accuracy. This suggestion originated with Ed Argyle who performed considerable analysis of the problem but has since retired from the Observatory staff.
- 4) To purchase apparatus required immediately when regular funds have been exhausted.

A notice appeared in the Canadian Astronomical Society's publication "Cassiopea" announcing the donation which you made (see enclosure). We will keep you informed as the money is spent.

Best regards,

Sincerely,



John Galt

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The observatory was recently pleased to accept a cheque for \$30,000.00 from a scientist who wishes to remain anonymous. His work is well known to all members of the astronomical community. The donor hopes that this contribution will act as seed money to attract other contributions.

It is worth noting that, contrary to a commonly held belief, NRC can accept such donations. They are, of course, kept separate from normal capital and operating funds.