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March 30, 1951

MEMORANDUM TO PRESIDENT SPROUL:

You have referred to me the attached file proposing the establishment of a Naval Research Group on the Berkeley campus to be under the military command of Professor Nello Pace. I recommend the establishment of this plan with one proviso; that this unit be established if it is agreed that the University accept the proposed contract on Shock Burn Data.

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You will recall that this proposal by Professors Cook and Pace was approved by the Regents on March 8, 1951 having already been endorsed by proper administrative officers, including Dean Smyth. At the moment, Dean Smyth has requested reconsideration of this research project and the matter is now under thorough discussion between the Division of Physiology and the Medical Center. Meanwhile, as Mr. Miller advised you, the Office of Naval Research Contract Section is in process of drawing up the definitive contract. I hope that a prompt decision is reached for if we are to reject the contract at this late date it will require most tactful handling on our part.

Assuming the research project goes ahead there are two business considerations which I feel should be brought to your attention.

(1) There will be no overhead received from the salaries of the research personnel carried as members of the naval establishment. The local Business Office, after conference with Mr. Lundberg's office, have agreed that under the circumstances we should waive consideration of any adjustment on this point. Actually, the University will gain financially if we choose to employ the services of these naval personnel in our teaching and research programs as they will be carried without salary.

(2) The Space Committee has approved the assignment of the Veterinary Science Building to this naval group. This will, of course, place a reasonable limit on the group as to future expansion, which, I believe to be conceivable. Excessive expansion of the group could lead to space difficulties and I, therefore, recommend that if the program is approved, Professor Pace be advised that he must deal with the local Business Manager prior to the expansion of the Navy group.

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