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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 3, 1951

PRESIDENT SPROUL:

Subject: Proposal for establishing an active duty Naval Research Unit on the Berkeley Campus, to conduct research on the nature of burn shock and other projects approved by the Regents.

The attached file contains endorsements, by the Vice-President - Business Affairs and the Dean of the Graduate Division, of the proposal outlined by Professor Pace (Pace to Sproul, March 12, 1951). It should be noted also that the proposed contract for the Study of the Nature of Burn Shock, as submitted by Professors Cook and Pace in February, and as approved by the Regents on March 8, 1951, specifically stated that "some members of the Unit (Naval Volunteer Research Unit 12-2) may be recalled to active duty in the near future, on a volunteer basis, for the express purpose of implementing the research proposed herein, and will receive orders to the Office of Naval Research, San Francisco Branch, for additional duty with this contract." (Proposal to study the nature of burn shock, page 7 - attached to letter, Cook and Pace to Sproul, February 14, 1951).

If you concur with the recommendations of Vice-President Corley and Dean Dennes, a draft letter is attached notifying the Office of Naval Research, San Francisco Branch, of the University's willingness to accept the proposal.

I have discussed this with Mr. James Miller, who feels that our acceptance of the proposed unit should be conditioned upon negotiations of the burn shock contract. Until now, he has been under the impression that the Business Office should hold up these contract negotiations because of objections previously advanced by Dean Smyth, and was unaware that Dean Smyth apparently has now withdrawn his objections. (Jenkins to Sproul, April 19, 1951; Jenkins to Smyth, April 19, 1951).

If you act favorably upon this proposal, a carbon copy of your letter to the Office of Naval Research should perhaps be forwarded to Mr. Corley's office. You may also wish to send a copy to Professor Pace, who has been pressing for information as to the status of this proposal.

*draft approved.*  
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*Richard S. Dingle*  
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Enclosure

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