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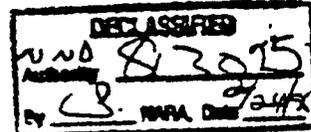
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20 March 1951

Major General Harry G. Armstrong, USAF (MC)
The Surgeon General, USAF
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D. C.



Dear General Armstrong:

In reference to your letter of 9 March, copy attached, concerning paperclip personnel, I wish to state that we are interested in obtaining first-class scientists and highly qualified technologists from Germany. The first group of paperclip personnel contained a number of scientists that have proved to be of real value to the Air Force. The weaker and less gifted ones have been culled to a considerable extent. The second group reporting here in 1949 were, in general, less competent than the original paperclip personnel, and a culling process will again be in order. A few vacancies currently exist, and more will occur within six months.

Informal information received here confirms your statement that the paperclip project may be revamped and revitalized in the near future. With this in mind, and in view of the statements made in the preceding paragraph, an effort is being made to obtain data on outstanding German scientists working in the medical sciences. In this connection, a copy of a letter written the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters, USAF, is attached for your information.

The requirements of the Arctic Aero Medical Laboratory, and staffing of any future aeromedical installation at Eglin Field, should be kept in mind. An attempt will be made to locate paperclip personnel for these places if and when their requirements become known.

Sincerely,

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