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Professor Hideki Yukawa
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10th April 1957.

Dear Professor Yukawa,

I addressed to you on 8th February last a letter concerning an international meeting of scientists to consider the hazards associated with nuclear weapons to be held at Pugwash, Nova Scotia, from 8th to 11th July, 1957, but I do not so far appear to have had a reply. Since it is necessary to proceed now to make final arrangements for the meeting I should be most grateful if you could let me know without further delay whether you will be able to attend. I hope very much that it will be possible for you to make the journey because I think you would agree that recent developments have increased the urgency of holding the meeting.

In order to facilitate the technical side of the arrangements I should be pleased if you would indicate, when replying, whether you will be able to find part or all of your travelling expenses from resources available in your own country or whether you will need your fares to be paid from the funds set aside for the meeting. You will recall that while I am anxious that no-one should be prevented from attending owing to financial considerations yet the money made available by a private appeal to meet the expenses of the meeting is not unlimited so that it would assist if every effort were made to meet travelling expenses from local resources.

I suggest that, if you are able to attend, in order to avoid travel difficulties later you should pencil in a booking that will enable you to reach Pugwash in time for the conference. I would suggest also that you make application now for a visa to enable you to enter Canada. I can probably arrange for an approach to be made to the Canadian authorities asking them to expedite the issue of visas for attendance at this meeting. In this connection it might help if you could let me have your full name and passport number. However, any approach that can be made in this way to the Canadian authorities can only be supplementary to your own personal application for a visa which should be made without delay.

Yours sincerely,

Russell.