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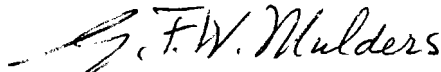
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Dear Dr. Reber:

Your recent letter to Dr. Haworth has been referred to me for reply. We wish to assure you that Foundation processing of your proposal is nearly complete, and to report that it has been somewhat slower than we had hoped because of the additional attention given to those proposals having unusual features. Thus a proposal from an individual rather than a university, particularly if the individual is working in a foreign country, is likely to be treated even more carefully than one of more routine nature. As you would guess, one result of such careful treatment is to add significantly to the processing time.

We have checked with the office responsible for communicating Foundation action on proposals to the individuals involved. They estimate that they will be in a position to report this action in two to three weeks. We hope this will be a favorable report.

Sincerely yours,



Gerard F. W. Mulders  
Head, Astronomy Section

Copy to: Mr. Charles H. Schauer