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Dr. Bart J. Bok, Director Mount Stromlo Observatory Canberra, A.C.T.

Dear Bart:

By now you probably have returned from a successful world tour; so I reply to yours of the 11th September. The 19th of November at 5:15pm will be quite satisfactory for my talk at Mount Stromlo.

Spring has been late at Bothwell mainly due to lack of rain. Consequently, I have held off taking pictures until the poles show contrast against green paddooks. It is my intention to obtain a good set of pictures the first week of November and have them return addressed to you at Mount Streaks. This should provide the very latest views to illustrate my take. I will bring along a few old pictures in case of any slip-up plus an assortment of charts, etc. So far, I have not attempted a sky map as I believe more evidence is required.

I am indeed flattered and greatly pleased by your comments to MSF in my behalf. About the time of your letter to MSF, I wrote to Haworth. Enclosed are reproductions of my letter plus the reply from Hulders. The fellows at HSF seem to be frightened of me:

Recently I've had a nibble from NASA about extending my installation to cover four times the existing area. Their letter was rather personable and more engaging than what I've received from NSF. If they want a reference, perhaps you can come to my assistance again at a future date.

I wish to thank you for your kind offer of hospitality. However, C.S.I.R.O. has fixed me up with accommodations at the Townhouse Motel which is rather closer to other activities in the city. In any case, perhaps we can get together in a socially informal way on the evening of the 19th.

Best regards.

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