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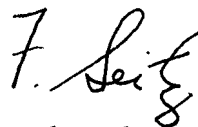
Dr. Grote Reber
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Dear Dr. Reber:

Thank you for your letter of August 25. While I understand your interest in radio astronomy, which obviously is in a highly productive phase, I believe you are being somewhat unfair to the members of the scientific community who supported the Mohole so ardently. We know very little about the interior of the earth and should know a great deal more. While much can be learned by indirect means, deep drilling provides a highly important means of obtaining direct information. Many of us hope that the difficulties beclouding the Mohole will eventually be resolved and that the program will go ahead on a sound basis.

Thank you very much for your reprints which I read with much interest.

Sincerely yours,



Frederick Seitz
President