Dr John Wheeler

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25+ years ago...

I.C.W. ~~John~~ Jason's forthcoming anniversary. I dug out the enclosed correspondence.

What puzzles me now — and I did not think to ask then — is how my name came to your attention. In spring 1958 I was fairly well known among microbiologists, but hardly any where else.

I knew Leo Szilard then, but no one else of the group invited; nor had I written on defense-related matters.

Can you recall anything about that?

For various reasons, I said "no" in 1958, but as you may know have amply compensated in the last dozen years.

P.S. In Jan. 1958 I had circulated some concerns about <u>scientific</u> objectives in space to members of the NAS. Was that a source of your attention?

[He replied: did not recall]