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Dear Joshua Sensei

I would like to touch upon the question of your visit to Japan written in your latest letter of Nov. 30, 1960.

Professor Kikkawa and his good friends have been push the schedule of your visit to Japan very hard during this year.

In order to realize it, two steps must be achieved from practical point.

Firstly, an agreement of the committee for promoting Science of Japan present in Japan Academy of Science must be revised. For, it excludes visitors from applicants who have not be able to stay here more than 6 months as you know, because your time of stay is limited and possibly 5 to 6 weeks in maximum because of your important role in U.S.A.

This was done already, therefore the first step was passed now.

As second step, we have presented the application forms to Japan Academy of Science inviting you to Japan, and we have been waiting the decision from the Committee.

We are still a little uncertain whether our effort is successful at this step or not, because of fixed number of visitors who will be invited from the Committee: only two persons per year from whole field of science as you already know, and this will be considered with some policy especially from the balance between different fields of science in this country.

Of course, this effort is presupposed to our understanding on your visiting Japan based on your letter to Kikkawa dated on April 7, 1960 is still correct.

We, Kikkawa and his friends hope that you will understand on those points, and please wait until the decision will be informed from the Committee.

We enjoyed wonderful lecture in here given by professor Gunther Stent who have been staying at Kyoto.

As for F' paper, I agree with your suggestion to publish it as a prompt report with acknowledgment in the paper that work was done at Stanford University to avoid a case which you and Iino have had. I would like to ~~take~~^{transfer} of your greetings to Iino very soon.

And, I like to write it anyway: in connection with this, could you send two data notes which I have left there for the purpose.

Because I was away rather long time from the work and like to see the data again to make sure some points, and to discuss on the data with my friends here.

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