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Dear Mr. Draper:

As Mr. E. F. D'Arms explained to you last week, the Board of Trustees of The Rockefeller Foundation, at a recent meeting, voted to set up a fund to be utilized for assistance in European rehabilitation in accordance with the general program of the Foundation. Since we have already resumed operations on a somewhat extensive scale in the neutral and allied countries, the chief result of this action is the authorization by the Trustees of activities in the former enemy countries, Germany and Austria.

Inasmuch as these countries are under the administration of the Departments of State and Army, I should like not only to inform you of the prospective actions of the Foundation in these areas but to obtain an official expression of your general approval before the Foundation undertakes such a program. We realize that your statement would be an approval in principle; individual projects might well require specific authorization from the authorities concerned and would, of course, be conducted in accordance with established procedures.

On behalf of The Rockefeller Foundation, I should like to express to you my thanks for the courtesies and facilities already extended to its officers. It is hoped that the

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Foundation's opportunity to work in these areas may be of benefit not only to the people of these countries but also to our own.

I shall appreciate a reply at your early convenience so that the Foundation may proceed with its plans.

Sincerely yours,

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The Honorable William Draper
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