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Dear Leo,

Your letter of 17th February regarding Sir Hogg's proposal for a research grant arrived here on 12th February and I have delayed replying to it for ten days in the hope that your letter of 29th January, to which you referred, would eventually turn up. It has not done so and I can only assume that in the postal strike chaos it has got lost somewhere. Can you please send a second copy?

However, I don't think I should delay any further before answering your letter on the Grant Application.

As a broad proposal, and viewed in the light of what we know of the man and his approach to the work, it looks, I agree, a good project. But it is a somewhat airy-fairy document and is not in the same class as the detailed proposal from Dr. Naukiewics on the form of which we all commented so favourably. It is vague in precisely that area in which your Council will be interested, namely the effects of smoke aerosols on the lung. I suggest that this is where you need the work carried out and that you will not be so interested in merely extending his technique using bland saline aerosols.

Sir Charles and I both think that Hogg should be asked to spell out in considerably more detail this aspect of the work. Sir Charles has also suggested that Hogg should explain why the methods he proposes to use will give more detailed and dependable results than those obtained by previous workers, but I am not sure that the results Hogg already quotes in his bibliography do not do just that.

What we are both suggesting is that you should encourage Hogg to extend his paper of proposals by a much detailed plan covering the last two or three sentences. This will be necessary, in any case, if the industry (and that means ITP, I suppose) are to be of assistance to him in devising the necessary equipment or analytical techniques he may require, or in collaborating with him in some other useful way. I also think it will help Hogg to crystallize his thoughts in this area, although he may have already done so to some extent in the missing report on his visit to the U.S.

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I am sorry for the delay, but I am sure you will appreciate the problems posed by the postal strike.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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