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Professor Elliott Organick Room 531 545 Tech Square

Dear Professor Organick:

With reference to our conversation today and talks previously with yourself and Professors Corbato and Saltzer, I believe we are mutually agreed on the following broad outlines of a program.

- 1. That the MIT Press expresses an interest and desire to act as publisher for several manuscripts resulting from the Multics project at such time as those manuscripts are ready.
- 2. That presently we are discussing two manuscripts, the Users Manual and the Multics guide, authored respectively by Professors Corbato and Saltzer and by Professor Organick.
- 3. That the final submission of either of these manuscripts is with the approval of the persons within the Multics group responsible for their creation.
- 4. And that it is the intent of the Press to approach the presentation of the Multics system, through our publications, in cooperation and agreement with the aims of the Multics group.

We recognize the formidable problems encountered in grappling with the changing aspects and mass of material of the Multics system and also recognize your desire to achieve coherent publications at the proper time in the evolution of the system.

The two manuscripts we are discussing should progress naturally toward that time and we will be willing at that point to assume the publication responsibilities for your work and Professors Corbato and Saltzer's manuscript.

Yours sincerely,

John S. Snyder, Jr. Engineering Editor

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cc J. C. Licklider, F. J. Corbato, J. H. Saltzer