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Dear Ed:

I am enclosing a perspective article on MULTICS for some future issue of Research Reviews, an ONR journal. The paper in question was prepared by our editorial staff. As you will note, it is largely taken from Project MAC publications.

I would appreciate your review and redraft of the paper. The redraft, at a minimum, should describe recent progress; certainly the implementation experience of the past year will be interesting as would be a discussion of future directions. I would also suggest authorship by Corby or Saltzer, or perhaps both of them. I believe that Research Reviews offers an excellent opportunity to tell the MULTICS story to a wide professional audience; hence, my concern that the story be carefully described by the persons most qualified to relate it. Incidentally, while the readers are professionals, few of them have expertise in computer software design. This should be taken into account in the rewrite-----spell out the meanings of acronyms, unique technical terms, etc.

I am also enclosing a recent issue of Research Reviews to familiarize you with the style of the publication. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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