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NATIONAL PHYSICAL LABORATORY OF INDIA

Division of Acoustics.

I am herewith sending a copy of letter received from the Director of Acoustics Research in Bell Telephone Laboratories, who, I presume, is the person in charge of invitations of the Acoustical Society of America, as is evident from paragraph 1 of the letter.

I am passing this on for information and for any action that Director may deem necessary.

S. Parthasarathy

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24-11-1953.

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Director, N.P.L.

Copy of letter from Dr.W.E.Kock, Director of Acoustics
Research, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey.

November 17, 1953

Dr.S.S.Bhatnagar, F.R.S.,
Secretary, Ministry of Natural
Resources and Scientific Research,
Central Secretariat,
New Delhi, India.

Dear Sir,

The Acoustical Society of America is holding its
Twenty-fifth or Silver Anniversary meeting June 23-26,
1954 in New York City. Because of the importance of this
meeting it is expected that the attendance will be large
and we are hoping that outstanding scientists from many
countries will be able to attend this meeting. In view
of the great contributions which Indian scientists have
made and are making to the science of acoustics, we
sincerely hope that several Indian scientists who are
authorities in the field of acoustics could be among
the number of foreign visitors.

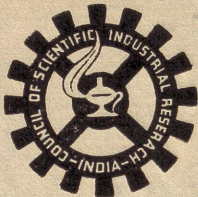
We are wondering whether you could arrange
that two delegates from India be sent to this meeting.
Because of their important contributions in acoustics,
the two names which have been recommended to us are
Dr.S.Parthasarathy and Sir C.V.Raman.

Unfortunately, the Acoustical Society has no
money to help underwrite the expenses of the delegates.
We therefore hope that some way could be found to sub-
sidize the expenses of the two scientists mentioned
above either through the Government of India or through
the particular organisation they are associated with.

Very truly yours,

Sd. Winston E.Kock.

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Dated August 23, 1951.

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My dear Dr. Krishnan,

In August 1950 and in February 1951, I made applications to the President of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, through proper channel, requesting for an appointment with him. I have not so far heard in reply to my requests. I shall feel grateful if you could let me know the result of those requests for an interview with the President.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

S. S. Srinivasan

Dr. Sir K. S. Krishnan,
F.R.S.,
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DATED 28th February, 51.

My dear Sir K. S. Krishnan,

You may kindly recall that a few months back, you brought for discussion in the Staff Meeting, the matter of publication of papers.

In this connection, I may mention that the Director, Scientific and Industrial Research, had given me full permission to communicate all papers of scientific and academic interest as I liked. I had been following this procedure in the matter of my academic work till August 1950.

I desire that I should be allowed full freedom as before to communicate papers of academic interest from my Division.

I believe that a distinction has to be made in this matter: work in the laboratory, namely, testing of materials, reports of work referred to the Division by the Director, etc., form part of the work of the laboratory and the reports should naturally be sent to the Director for any use he may think fit; but purely scientific work comes under a different category and the person carrying on that work should have, as a scientist, the fullest of freedom.

I shall therefore feel grateful if my earlier privilege is restored to me.

p.t.o.

I am sending a copy of this letter to
Sir S. S. Bhatnagar.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

S. S. Bhatnagar

Dr. Sir K. S. Krishnan, F.R.S.,
Director,
National Physical Laboratory,
New Delhi.

National Physical Laboratory,
New Delhi,
Dated 18th January, 1952.

My dear Dr. Krishnan,

I reached the maximum in my scale of pay two years back and there must be some financial inducement for me to continue in the National Physical Laboratory. I am already 47 years of age and, in the normal course, I am to continue for another period of 8 years.

Since your letter of April 19, 1950, there have been many instances of the members of the staff of the National Physical Laboratory, receiving substantial increase in their salaries and advance increments; and in view of this, I submit that mine is not the only case which, on grounds of financial stringency, "cannot be re-opened."

You are already aware that I am the seniormost Assistant Director and have sufficient record of research to my credit. You yourself, being an eminent scientist, are in the best position to judge the merit of my work.

In the light of the above facts, I shall be most grateful if you kindly take up the question of my pay with the Authorities.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

S. Parthasarathy

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Director, National Physical
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Revered Dr.,

To-day I have sent you by book-post a complimentary copy of the first part of Sri Ramayana in Tamil by a friend of mine (நாயகர் சமுத்திர சுவாமி) for your kind perusal and patronage. He has completed the work and has got fore-words for each part from well-known persons including Sri Annangaracharya Swami. If you are interested I shall send the other parts also. Apart from the personal interest I have because of our long and close friendship, I find that the author has struck an original path in this work. His rendering of the text of Valmiki is free and, written in a forceful style with comments in many places resolving the doubts raised in the readers' minds, I should think that the work has many points of merit. The descriptions are vivid and the epic is dramatised before our minds. More than all, as Sri Annangaracharya Swami has put it in his foreword, the captions are excellent and deserve to be read again and again. The author would feel very grateful for commendations from discerning readers like you.

I have also another request in this connection. My friend has applied for a small reward for the work from the Ministry of Education at Delhi. The State Government are reluctant to encourage Brahmin authors and suffering under this disability, he has chosen to apply to the Central Govt. for a grant of Rs 2,000 only which will help him in bringing out the next edition of his Sundarakanda which has been sold out already and has to be reprinted. If you can give the weight of your recommendation we feel that the grant of this small amount can be got.

I trust that the marriage festivities have gone off well and that you and family are keeping fit. When are you likely to come this side? With humble regards,

Respectfully yours,
G. Sankaralingam

Dr K. S. Krishnan, F.R.S.

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My dear Parthasarathi,

13 March 1959

I have received your kind letter and the copy of the Tamil rendering of the Ramayana by Sri D.S. Raghavan. I shall write to you again after going through the book.

I have agreed to give a course of two lectures under the Sir Subramania Iyer Endowment in the University of Madras on Thursday the 19th and Friday the 20th March. The lectures will probably be in the afternoon at 5-30 PM. After the lecture on Friday I intend to spend Saturday and Sunday at Kancheepuram, if possible.

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Kindly let me know whether you will be in Madras during
the period, in which case I would very much like to meet
you.

With kind regards

yours sincerely

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