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Dear Bob:

The recent National Engineering Information Conference which I attended as the representative of the Society proved to be a most interesting and informative experience. As you know, the Conference was sponsored by the Office of Science and Technology, Executive Office of the President. Conference participants were drawn from Government (national, local and foreign), technical societies and industry. I have attached a roster of attendees for your future reference.

During the Conference, reference was made by the various speakers to a document prepared by the National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C., "SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COMMUNICATIONS -- A PRESSING NATIONAL PROBLEM, AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ITS SOLUTIONS." A synopsis of this work is also attached for your further reference.

Papers presented at the Conference will not be available until the Fall, assuming promised date is met. In order that you may have certain additional details with respect to the papers presented, I am attaching a copy of the Conference Directory, which provides background on the various speakers and a brief review of the papers as originally contemplated. In most cases, the views expressed by the speakers are reasonably well set forth in the Directory.

I would like to call your attention specifically to the presentation made by Dr. Hugh Winn, Manager of Engineering Materiels and Processing Information Service of General Electric Company. Herisma good speakers sentation would, I believe, be appropriate etmany Value Engineering meeting or convention, if he were asked to highlight its Value Engineering connotation. You might, therefore, wish to consider him as a speaker at some future activity.

Mr. Cyril G. Giles, one of the speakers during the International Session and head of the Technical Information Branch of the British Ministry of Technology, specifically mentioned Value Engineering during his presentation. He indicated that this Ministry is assisting British industry in the development of a capability in Value Engineering. This work with industry is a part of their production engineering advisory service, supplied first gratis and then for a nominal fee once the industry indicates further interest. If Art Mudge has not already been in contact with the British Ministry of Technology this might be something for him to explore, in view of his activity in the international area.

I trust that the foregoing provides some insight into the proceedings of the Conference. Obviously, the desirable features of personal contact and interchange with those in attendance cannot be overestimated, nor can they be reduced to writing in this correspondence.

I hope that I carried the "flag" of the Society of American Value Engineers successfully. Thanks for permitting me to be the Society's representative.

Sincerely yours,

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