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Dear Mike:

As discussed with you by phone yesterday it has been proposed that a NASA monetary award be given to you and V. C. Clarke, Jr. for "Gravity Assist Trajectories."

Attached is a copy of the IOM from Clarke regarding this award and the form which he has completed. Your comments would be greatly appreciated.

I have ordered copies of the papers which you told me about in our telephone conversation.

Also attached hereto are copies of the Research Summary references which we have in which mention is made of ballistic interplanetary trajectory analysis.

Please let me have your comments as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Dr. Norman L. Chalfin Office of Patent Counsel

P.S. Research summary dates are May, July, and September, 1961.