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Dear Professor Thirring,

I am writing on behalf of the Pugwash Continuing Committee to invite you to participate in the next Pugwash Conference, which is to be held in Moscow from the 11th to the 18th of September 1960.

The subject of the Conference will be "Disarmament and World Security", and we hope to discuss the political, economic, technical and military aspects of these problems. From experience at previous Pugwash Conferences we know that these informal meetings of scientists can make a significant contribution towards solving the problems of the day. The various aspects of disarmament and the methods of setting up and implementing a world security system will be among the major international issues in the coming months, and we hope that the Moscow Conference will not only help to create a favourable climate of opinion but will make some practical contributions.

A more detailed programme of the Conference will be sent later.

During the stay in the Soviet Union participants will be the guests of the Soviet Academy of Sciences. Travelling expenses will be taken care of, if required, from other funds.

I should be glad if you would let me know, as soon as possible, whether you will be able to attend the Conference. Further details can be obtained from the Secretary of the Committee, Professor Joseph Rotblat, 8 Asmara Road, London, N.W.2.

Yours sincerely,

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