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Dear Dr. Allen:

Your letter of Wednesday reached me after my letter of yesterday had gone to you. I hasten to say that I do appreciate the very great difficulties under which your department is doing a very good job. I feel that I should apologize to Mrs. Hulteen for the heat with which I spoke to her. As to what I said I assured her at the time that I did not want to say it to her but did very much want to say it to you.

I am especially sympathetic with you concerning the difficulties you have had in obtaining information from the Department of Military Science, and feel that a good deal of my impatience in the matter should have been directed toward them.

As to our present situation, members of the Committee are interviewing all the students whose names you sent us and will continue to do so with all future lists. This is distinctly worth while since we have uncovered two "conscientious objectors" among them. However, I hope you will pardon me if I point out that ultimately your department will have to establish the status of those students enrolled in R.O.T.C. (They constitute the great majority of the students we have so far interviewed). For a student to tell a member of our committee that he is enrolled in R.O.T.C. and for us to report that to you does not furnish complete evidence of his enrollment. I am sure you will agree with me that anything you can do to locate and assign these students before sending names to us will not increase the work you have to do, overtaxed as you are, but will save a little time for the committee and for the student.