



REAR ADMIRAL L. S. SABIN, U.S.N.

12 November 1954

Dear Bart:

I have just received your letter of 28 October in which you asked whether I felt that Doctor Amberson's work was of sufficient outstanding value to our mission to merit a special commendation.

Doctor Amberson's work was certainly a great contribution to the mission of the Task Force. This is also true of young Dr. Dealey who is still with us. It was also true of several other officers in the Task Force who have made contributions a little beyond that of the ordinary excellent performance of duty.

As a result of this whole operation my staff committee on decorations and awards is presently engaged in a complete evaluation of all individual performance. Upon completion of this study they will submit recommendations to me for suitable awards. In view of this, and the fact that both Doctor Amberson and Dealey will be considered in these recommendations, I would suggest that any commendation from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery be held in abeyance pending receipt of the recommendations which I intend to make.

I appreciate your offer to be of help to my family but none of them are around Washington. Since the marriage of my two older daughters Bird has been hopping from one to the other to be the mother hen watching over the arrival of new grand-children.

With best wishes to you and yours,

Sincerely,

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