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April 13, 1951

Mr. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
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Dear xxxxxxxxxxxxxx:

You are cordially invited to inspect the facilities and work in progress at the Langley Aeronautical Laboratory and the Pilotless Aircraft Resarch Station of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics on May 17 and 18. The visit to the Pilotless Aircraft Research Station on the 17th will be the first ever for members of the Press. The visit to the Langley Laboratory will be the opening day of the 1951 Biennial Inspection there, May 18.

Transportation to the Pilotless Aircraft Research Station, at Wallops Island, Virginia, will be provided by NACA airplane the morning of May 17. Departure from the Washington National Airport will be at approximately 8:30 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, from the lobby of Butler Aviation (formerly MATS Terminal). A firm departure time will be established not later than May 14.

In the afternoon of May 17, transportation will be provided from Wallops Island to Old Point Comfort, Virginia, where overnight reservations have been made at the Hotel Chamberlin. Because of the fact that May is a "convention month" for the Hotel, only double occupancy rooms are available. The cost, per person, will be approximately $5.

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In the early evening of May 18, departure from the Langley Laboratory will be by steamer from Old Point Comfort, with arrival in Washington at 7:00 a.m., EDT, May 19. The cost of meals May 18, passage and stateroom, and breakfast May 19, will be approximately $17.

It is believed that progress being made in aeronautical research, which has a direct bearing upon the future quality of our nation's aircraft and guided missiles, will be of special interest to you this year.

Because both travel facilities and overnight hotel accommodations are severely limited, it is urgently requested that you signify as soon as possible whether we may have the pleasure of your company.

Sincerely yours,

J. F. Victory
Executive Secretary