Washington, D.C.
21 June 1945

My dear Dr. Robinson,

With regard to our telephone conversation of this noon,
I am sending you my ideas on the entire war crimes situation.

First, it has been made clear to me by Neumann and the
other side that my report (or indictment) will be virtually
the first and last word on the subject as far as the United
States War Crimes Control is concerned. The group going to
London early in July contemplates no further work on the
subject.

In view of this situation I believe that we both are
anxious to see to it that as thorough a job as possible
be done.

When the report is completed it should contain the
following:

I. A short chapter proving the existence of a precon-
cieved anti-Semitic conspiracy on the part of the Germans,
the implications of this charge, and the purposes this
conspiracy was meant to serve.

This, as well as all other chapters, must be written in
as restrained and dignified a tone as possible. The case
is sufficiently strong to warrant understatement rather than
overstatement.

II. A concise and clear-cut analysis of the different
types of crimes committed against the Jews (only by the
Germans), there is to be no mention in this particular report
of the collaborationists), including religious desecration,
violation of the dignity of men, segregation, forced labor,

These must be shorter and more to the point than your
provisional studies. It should also clearly establish the
overall responsibility of the various German agencies and
their subordinate sections. In the interest of brevity, it
should not be broken down country by country, except as
illustrations of specific points, but should contain a
general discussion of how the war was perpetrated--

III. (The most important chapter! The responsibility
of the various German agencies for crimes committed against
Jewish country).

I am completing a preliminary study for this section
but, as you can readily see, it requires amplification.
Secondly, it is based only on accumulative material and lacks
evidence of further responsibility available in other
documents, books, periodical literature, eye witness
accounts, official and semi-official statements of
key officials of these agencies, etc.

Also wherever possible, the direct chain of command
from the highest to the lowest authorities should be indi-
cated.

Further information on what is desired is available
to you in the general discussion of the project which
I presented during your visit here.

Thus, as you can see, there is a considerable amount
of work to be done in so short a space of time--far,
far too much for one man working alone--ignoring my
present difficult personal situation.

Therefore, I should be most anxious to have the
assistance of your colleagues and yourself in the prepa-
ratation of this indictment which must be just as com-
plete as the crime itself.

Sincerely,

C. [Signature]

P.S. I was sorry to learn, through our mutual friend Dr.
Buchholtz, of the illness of your wife. I hope it is
not serious.