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Dear Ms. Hallion,

Last November I had a very nice telephone conversation with you when I was in Washington for research at the National Archives. I told you I am preparing a book on US-UK military nuclear cooperation in the period 1952-1958, and therefore I would be very much interested in receiving some declassified materials from the Atomic Energy Commission. I hoped to hear from you but I it may be that there was a misunderstanding in our talk, and you expected me to confirm my request in a letter.

The AEC perspective and the views of the then Chairman of the AEC, Admiral Lewis L. Strauss, are of course of crucial importance for my study. I can imagine that some documents (although I do realise that it will not be that much which is declassified) from your Department may be of great help and add to what I found at the Eisenhower Library, the National Archives and in the literature - especially the official history by Hewlett and Holl.

I would be very grateful if you are willing to find out for me whether any documents on atomic cooperation in the military field between the United States and Great Britain, or US cooperation in this area with the NATO allies, are available from the archives of the Department of Energy. If you are able to send me some documents, please enclose an invoice and I will pay promptly.
I am looking forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Jan Melissen

P.S Because you told me that you are very fond of my home town, Amsterdam, I enclose a postcard with a view on the Amstel river.

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