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Marriner S. Eccles  
Federal Reserve Board  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

Your statement yesterday on the relation between arms expenditures and inflation "made sense" to me. It came closer to my own analysis than that of the "experts" over radio forum programs.

To me, it would seem that the workers who produce the 12 or 13 billion dollars worth of weapons annually can not buy back the product of their labor. To me, it would seem that their money would exert a continuous inflationary pressure whether or not consumer goods production is increased. Is this a valid explanation of the economics of the current inflation?

You should know of WORLD REPUBLIC'S efforts to develop a world organization capable of stopping the current armaments race. We seek a world agency to control all military forces and all weapons of mass destruction.

Sincerely yours,

*W. Clay Marks*  
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October 14, 1947.

Dear Mr. Marks:

Chairman Eccles asked me to thank you for your letter of September 26 commenting on his recent talk to the State Bank Supervisors. Since then we have had some reprints made, and it occurred to Mr. Eccles that you might care to see the full text. Accordingly, I am enclosing a copy.

Sincerely yours,

Elliott Thurston,  
Assistant to the Chairman.

Enclosure

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