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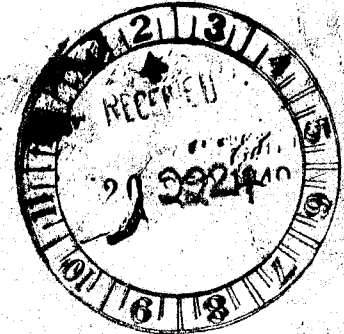
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Dr. Alexander Speehr
Chicago Museum of Natural History
Roosevelt Road and Lake Shore Drive
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Dear Dr. Speehr:

I am writing to inform you that the Pacific Science Board has approved your project for a year's archeological and anthropological research on the island of Saipan. We understand that a portion of your time (approximately one-third) will be made available to assist the Administrative authorities of the island.

We are including your project as a special anthropological project under the continuing SIM Program which is an extension of the CIM Program. We are requesting the Deputy High Commissioner to extend to you all the privileges which have been accorded to SIM participants by the Administrative authorities.

We shall expect to receive quarterly Progress Reports during the time that you are in the field, and will also welcome receiving copies of your Final Report in sufficient numbers to cover the Board's CIM distribution.

In view of the fact that all of the funds for the SIM Project which we are to receive from the Office of Naval Research for the current year have been committed, we do not anticipate making a subcontract with the Chicago Museum of Natural History on account of your project.

Please let us know if we can be of further help with regard to your plans, and do not hesitate to call on Miss Akers, the Secretary of the Honolulu Office of the Board, for assistance.

The Pacific Science Board was very pleased with your Report on your work in the Marshalls and I wish you the best of luck in your Saipan project.

Sincerely yours,

Harold J. Coolidge

cc. Cdr. L.M. Duke
Lt. Cdr. P. Drucker
Miss E. Akers