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Dear Dr. Whitehead:

I have recently learned that Harwell may be the site for a new laser fusion laboratory. I would like to know more about your plans.

As you know from your visit to our laboratory, we have capabilities which might be useful to you in establishing your program. If there are ways that we can help, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Dr. Dingee,

Thank you for your letter of the 6th April.

Unfortunately, from my point of view, your information on the new laser laboratory is not quite correct.

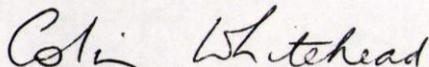
When we visited you in October 1974, the intention then was to form a laser laboratory as a joint project between the Atomic Energy Authority and the Science Research Council. In July 1975 the Department of Energy refused funds for the A.E.A. part but the Department of Education and Science approved funds for the S.R.C. part; the A.E.A. dropped out from that time.

Dr. Paul Williams, who was in the group who visited you, is involved on the on-going S.R.C. project and I have sent a copy of your letter to him.

We, in the Authority, were extremely disappointed at the lack of funding support and the small group I had gathered together is now totally disbanded.

With very best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. C. Whitehead.

c.c. Dr. Paul Williams. ✓