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Dear Prof. Compton.

I thank you very much for your letter of August 1st and for your kind permission to Dr. Paulus A. Pompeia staying in your Laboratory.

I was told today by Pompeia that he expects to sail from Rio de Janeiro on October 14th and his intention is to go straight to Chicago where he wants to stay during one year, in accordance with the conditions fixed by the Brazilian Government.

I think it will be a great advantage if Dr. Pompeia could be considered as a guest of your Laboratory. In the Brazilian Universities there is no possibility of obtaining a Ph. D. degree.

Pompeia has followed a complete course of 5 years in Electrical Engineering and has got a three years course on Electrotechnic Specialization, besides his three years course on Experimental and Theoretical Physics at The Faculty of Sciences, where he has got his B.A. in Physics. Actually he is lecturer of Physics on that Faculty. It seems to me that his academic "curriculum vitae" can be considered as equivalent to a Ph. D. degree. In any way, he will be able to give you a more complete information about the subjects he studied in order to facilitated your judgement.

With best thanks,

Yours sincerely,

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