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Major General George E. Armstrong
The Surgeon General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear General Armstrong:


Through the courtesy of Colonel W. D. Tigertt, MC, I have just received your letter of October 18.

We have appreciated very much Colonel Tigertt's clear and patient delineation of the plan for the medical research project which you have under way. We feel that if any one should recognize a debt of loyalty and service for the many courtesies and considerations received from the Department of Defense, we, as Adventists, are in a position to feel a debt of gratitude for these kind considerations.

The type of voluntary service which is being offered to our boys in this research problem offers an excellent opportunity for these young men to render a service which will be of value not only to military medicine but to public health generally. I believe I speak not only the sentiments of our administrative group in this office, but also of our Adventist young men in the services in observing that it should be regarded as a privilege to be identified with this significant advanced step in clinical research.

As we have indicated to Colonel Tigertt, we will try to have an appropriate statement of our attitude toward this matter in your hands within a few days.

Very sincerely yours,


T. R. Flaiz, M.D.

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