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Dr. Columbus O'D. Iselin
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Dear Columbus:

Dick Vetter's letter of 20 September concerning reference stations for the Indian Ocean Expedition has been forwarded to me here in Acapulco.

The only station that the ARGO will hit on the two equatorial cruises is the "South of Cochin" station. That, of course, is the same station that will be convenient for John Hyther.

The only other comment I have on reference stations is to wonder which US ship will be hitting the "South West of Java" station. If a station in this part of the ocean is desirable, a position no further south than 3°S would be convenient for us.

I think SCOH should consider the oceanographic program to be done aboard the Weather Ships. Just now I don't see who in the US is going to move up and take charge of the program. I suppose I'm the obvious guy, but I feel I'm already overextended and I haven't seen any volunteers springing forth. If possible, maybe we could convince the Germans to run the vessel and the program. They are interested in working in the Indian Ocean, don't have a vessel yet, and have something of a tradition for anchor work.

Sincerely yours,

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