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Dear Coworker:

Nineteen sixty is about gone, with a new year fast approaching. All of you have done remarkably well with what you have had to work. We can say that the year has been one of great success. While this may not be in full evidence, the seeds have been sown for growth in the coming year, during which evidence of the progress being made toward the relationship of inhabitants of other worlds and those of Earth should be outstanding, since Earthlings are now endeavoring to send their people to visit our closest neighboring planets. I believe this will be accomplished sooner than we realize. It will make no difference which nation succeeds first!

Our greatest victory of all time will be when one of our men in an Earth-made ship moving toward the Moon, Mars, or Venus broadcasts his experiences as he moves from Earth outward toward the goal, continuing the report as he lands on one of these other bodies. Intermittent contact will be kept as he leaves his ship to explore; then steady again as he begins his return, until he lands on his native soil once more. The people of every nation will be in a state of constant alertness as they listen to this on-the-spot broadcast. Thus a lone man, or perhaps the crew of a single ship, will accomplish on one voyage what millions of other worlds' men and ships could not. This is the goal for the coming year!

Once this is done, the relationship between the peoples of other planets and ourselves will be well established. This is what we have all been hoping for and working toward. The plans are officially set for such an accomplishment and are moving remarkably well in that direction. All this has been done with people whose feet are firmly on the ground, who have put to work that knowledge which has been granted to them by the space visitors. been

As you know, I have just returned from the East Coast of our nation where I had the privilege of speaking with some influential people in our government and in the UN. I was assured that there is no turning back. We have already taken steps forward, beyond the rim of the world! This much and a good deal more that I cannot yet speak of was verified. The highway to the stars is being blasted!

I only wish it were possible for me to lay out the plan, step by step, but this may have to wait until the full plan is in operation. I do want to say here that I am thankful to those co-workers who were able to get a clear conception of the plan which I introduced regarding the defense of the world and what this program will mean in the future, for it is the future that counts. As a result of their clear concept and assistance, the rest of you have been able to get a better perspective of the plan. It is a fact that often new plans are nebulous and difficult to comprehend clearly, but usually time and thought by an open mind will bring forth details in clearness for all to see and understand. This has been the experience of the world defense plan, but now we are once again a team, united in our efforts, for which we are all most grateful.

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Let us analyze the program again. Research into space with eventual space travel is the only solution left for our economic problems, unless we prefer the alternate road of self-destruction. It opens new vistas for the pioneers, of whom there are many in this world. Yet if our military leaders thought they would lose their present positions, along with all hopes for the future, they would fight any space program. And we do know that the military pretty well have the say as to which way things will move. On the other hand, when they are shown that they will be of major importance in fulfilling such a program, they will support it in every way. So they were included in the proposed defense plan for the world.