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Enclosed herewith is copy of the annual progress report for the Office of Naval Research, which is being sent to Capt. F. H. Quimby, ONR, as was done in the past two years.

Also enclosed is a project description and budget for the fiscal year 1956. In forwarding this I am assuming that arrangements for continuation of the project will be made and that the same procedure will be followed as was carried out last year.

I am also enclosing two copies of an abstract which is submitted for clearance prior to submission to the Secretary, Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics. If the abstract is cleared and the information reclassified, I intend to present this paper at the meeting of the Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics in San Francisco, April 10-16, 1955.

Since my return from Europe I have completed some work which may be of interest to you. The experiments with Bufotenine were pushed until the subjects were receiving orally total doses of 2 mg. of this compound. No discernable effects were obtained. Since work with this compound did not seem at all promising, we discontinued work with It, at least temporarily. I think we should attempt to obtain another sample of the material in order to be sure we are doing work with the correct compound.

We have just completed another series with patients who received 75 mg. Chlorpromazine followed by 60 mcgm. LSD-25. This makes a total of 18 patients who have been studied with this particular combination. Definite blocking of LSD-effects did psy occur, but

not as great as in the pilot experiments. We have now turned to testing the ability of chlorpromazine to reverse LSD-effects once they are well developed. As yet sufficient data are not available to make any statement.

I must be in New York the night of February 3rd in order to give a lecture at the New York Academy of Medicine. It will be convenient to stop in Washington on either February 1st or 2nd, provided you wish me to do so.

With kindest personal regards.

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Very sincerely yours,

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