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To : Professor G. L. Bach
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From : K. S. Pitzer

Subject: New Committee for ROTC

Dear Lee and Leonard:

While action appointing a new committee on the ROTC should undoubtedly await the next meeting of the Academic Council, I believe it may be desirable to consider certain matters in the interim. It seems clear that we will be negotiating with the Defense Department concerning future arrangements for ROTC and that a committee to advise the Stanford negotiator will be needed.

In my view, there is a real difference between -- on the one hand, decisions concerning academic course credit and faculty status -- and on the other hand, arrangements for space, facilities, and conditions for an extracurricular activity.

In the first area the formal faculty decision is a dominant factor, whereas in the second area student views are of comparable weight, and practical factors require special administrative input.

Thus, if the Academic Council action leaves open the consideration of academic credit for courses taught by military officers, clearly an Academic Council committee should be established.

However, if no questions of academic credit or faculty status remain to be considered, I believe a Presidential committee would be more appropriate. In the latter case I would, as usual, seek the advice of the Committee on Committees concerning the faculty members to be appointed.

I would appreciate your views on this question of the category of the new committee as well as any other steps to be taken prior to the Academic Council meeting.

Yours very sincerely,

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