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Dear Seymour,

Mr. Erlbaum has sent the enclosed contract for the publication of the ECT volume. In discussing royalties, I opted for a lower market price for the volume, allowing for some return for the editors by using grant funds for editing. The Association can make \$1,500 available for editing, thereby subventing the volume's cost to the reader.

The contract includes our committment to deliver the manuscripts by the end of February, with the volume to be issued in September. Mr. Erlbaum sent me a sample copy of a book issued by his group and it compares favorably with recent psychiatric volumes. Furthermore, the volume will require no typing by my staff, for the text will be set by linotype.

If the contract is satisfactory, please sign and return to me.

As to what has to be done this month, there are three things that will be required:

1. Your report to the conference should be submitted as soon as practicable, but no later than mid-February.
2. Your review or editing of the reports sent to you, for such comments as you may wish to make, particularly to avoid internal inconsistencies.
3. An overall summary of the meeting was part of our committment to NIMH. Such a summary was requested for the use of the various NIMH committees and for publication. It is my understanding that Dan Freedman has agreed to review these summaries for the Archives of General Psychiatry. Although we have agreed to publish the summaries separately, it may be advisable to include them in the volume as well. I believe this would be most useful in the volume, and while it will require special negotiation with both Mr. Erlbaum and with Dan Freedman (should he accept), I would like your agreement to make such an effort.

Despite our individual busy schedules, I hope we can make these committments -- the report for the volume, the edited manuscripts, and the summaries, all by the end of January. My best wishes for a healthy and happy 1973 !

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.