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Dr. William E. Thornton
Oceana Apartment Hotel - Room 107
849 Ocean Avenue
Santa Monica, California

Dear Dr. Thornton:

I am happy to confirm your selection into the Scientist/Astronaut Training Program of the Manned Spacecraft Center. Your entrance salary will be \$13,959 per annum.

Because of the heavy demand for flight training in the Air Force, you will not be attending flight school until next March. Consequently, we intend to start your training with the ground-based aspects of the program here at the Manned Spacecraft Center. Your first move, therefore, will be a permanent one to Houston. We ask that you report for duty on or before September 18. Representatives of our Personnel Division will be in contact with you to arrange details and specific reporting date which will be convenient.

Congratulations, again, on your selection and we certainly are pleased to have you in the program.

Sincerely yours,

Donald K. Slayton
Director of Flight
Crew Operations