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FROM: John E. Mogk

SUBJECT: Meeting with Joe Allen of the Senate Judiciary Committee

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Joe Allen apparently works closely with Senator Bayh of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Allen is very anxious to see the Small Business and University Patent Policy Act passed. He essentially confirmed what Bruce Lehman had said about the action in the House. Allen said a number of universities have coalesced together to see that the act is passed. He expected that a special exception would be made for universities and research institutes as opposed to small and big businesses. He said that General Electric Corporation had asked that in the bill there be a change made to indicate that the present practice with respect to large corporations would continue. He essentially confirmed the time line of February 9, 1979 for introduction of the bill, told to us by Bruce Lehman. Allen promised to put us on the mailing list and said that while hearings would be short we could put testimony in the record, if we wished to do so. He said that Tom Evans of Michigan Tech has recently contacted him for a copy of the bill, which he had forwarded along. He expects the bill to pass this year in some form and said that if it does not it probably won't in the future because there is presently a great deal of interest in promoting industrial technology development in the United States, inasmuch as we are now slipping behind other countries.

Allen said also that Jordon Baruch of the Department of Commerce is heading the White House industrial technology review.

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