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Dr. Fred W. Rankin 410 Security Trust Building Lexington, Kentucky

Dear General:

Congratulations upon your election as President of the American Surgical Association. I am sorry that you were not present to have heard the acclaim and ovations, which were quite enthusiastic about your election, and all of us who have known you are tickled to death about it.

We all missed you in Quebec and many times I asked where the hell you were. I am proud to know you.

With best wishes for a successful inauguration and term, I am

Sincerely yours,

RALPH F. BOWERS, M.D.