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Dr. H. B. Stenzel, Bureau of Economic Geology, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Dear Dr. Stenzel:

In view of Dr. Jablonski's temporary absence from the office, we are taking the liberty of answering your letter of May 7th in which you applied for a position with our company. You may recall that we knew each other at one time when you accepted a temporary assignment for the Shell Oil Company in Houston.

We have several positions open in our Geological Department but it is difficult for us to answer your questions until we have a little better idea of the kind of geological work you have in mind. We are operating in such countries as Venezuela and Colombia in South America and, at the moment, there is a possibility that we have a position open in Egypt as a subsurface geologist - paleontologist. As I remember, you are something of an authority on the paleontology of the Cretaceous and, if I am correct in this belief, does your knowledge of Cretaceous paleontology include familiarity with the microscopic forms?

It is also difficult to answer your question regarding salary and expenses because the question of salary would depend largely on the kind of position that you might fill. The question of expenses and/or living allowance is often governed by the country in which the individual is working. As the first step, perhaps it would be advisable for you to fill out the attached Qualification Record Form and return it to this office. You may feel free to send, in letter form, any other information that may assist us in our attempt to develop something that might be of interest to you. We would also like to know something of your family status and whether or not you would expect your family to accompany you, since this is an important consideration in foreign work.

I am sure that Dr. Jablonski will appreciate having heard from you and I hope that something can be worked out. With kindest personal regards,

Yours very truly,

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F. W. Bartlett

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