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Dear Mrs. MacKay:

On 16 February 1955 you sent me the first proof of my article CODES AND CIPHERS which I revised from the 14th edition. I returned the proof on 19 February. Inasmuch as the cover was labelled "first proof" I assumed that I would soon be in receipt of a second or final proof but nothing has come from you. I am beginning to wonder whether you have already gone to press or if there has been some delay in sending a second proof. Would you please advise me in this regard?

Also I take this opportunity to inquire as to your policy in furnishing off-prints of articles and if so, what the cost thereof is in various quantities.

Thanking you for the courtesy of a prompt reply, I am

Sincerely,

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