

October 22nd, 1946

The Hon. Mr. Douglas Abbott,
Minister of National Defence,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Abbott:

I am writing to you in regard to the arrangement of a formal ceremony in regard to the transfer of the Military Annex of the Montreal Neurological Institute to McGill University from the Department of National Defence. This was a very fine gesture on the part of your Department, and Principal James feels that there should be some formality of presentation.

We would hope that you might yourself formally hand over the Annex and say a few words at the same time. We would like to make a statement of appreciation in regard to what the Department of National Defence did for the wounded in building that Annex so rapidly and further appreciation for its presentation to McGill. If you are willing to do this, I will see to it that those in the Province of Quebec and in the City government of Montreal who have been interested in supporting the Neurological Institute are invited to be present, and will request the Principal to designate someone to accept the building. Perhaps he will do this himself.

I know how busy you are these days.
Please give my best regards to Mrs. Abbott.

As ever yours,

WGP/AD