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Dear Sir Ronald Fisher:

My manuscript entitled "Successive process of statistical inference associated with an additive family of sufficient statistics" could not have been sent to you until to-day. This delay was accidental due to my absence from Fukuoka to Tokyo. I took an immediate step to send it to you by airmail.

I am now expecting to attend at the 30th Session of the International Statistical Institute at Stockholm, because I have been recently recommended as a perhap sole delegate from Japan by the National Committee for Statistics, although the final decision will be given at the General Meeting of the Science Council of Japan late in this month. If it will happen favourable as we expect, this means my first trip to Europe. I should like to take this opportunity to have the most benefitable days in Europe and also in England, if possible.

Do you remember our talks at Calcutta about the possible candidates from Japanese statisticians for the application of membership of the International Statistical Institute? After returning to Japan, I found that Dr. Motosaburo Masuyama has been already a condidate, but was unsuccessful last year.

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I firmly believe that he is one of the real statisticians who understands the Fisherian spirit of experimentations and has fought for these seventeen years for the advocations of revolutionary ideas of statistics into Japanese statistics.

I am hoping his success for getting the membership of the ISI.

I have just received your letter of 30th March, and I have been keenly interested with the several levels of uncertainty which you suggested at Calcutta. I shall be waiting for your note to *Biometrika*.

Yours Sincerely,

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