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The Prime Minister's Secretary,
The Prime Minister's Office,
10 Downing Street,
London, S. W. 1.

Bramson

Sir,

Honours and Awards

The intention of writing is to bring to the Prime Minister's notice what he may consider to be a serious oversight of recognition.

In 1935 a consulting engineer by name of Mogens Louis Bramson produced a report of sufficient substance and clarity as to support a claim for finance to make the first development of the jet engine possible.

There appears to be much evidence that it was due to Bramson's vision, understanding and full appreciation of the enormous potential of Frank Whittle's original proposals, along with his constructive presentation and with his realisation of the urgency of the problem, that led to the proposals being acceptable and in due course adopted. It was on the basis of Bramson's far-seeing judgment that we in this country had the facilities of the jet engine, functional and in commission, at such an early stage.

I have known Bramson for many years and by nature and character he is in no way self-seeking. He has been happy in reflection from the well deserved recognition of Sir Frank Whittle. With the Prime Minister's modern outlook and appreciation of the technician he may consider that an official acknowledgment of Bramson's important contribution to this field would be well deserving.

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The Prime Minister's Secretary

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Bramson, a British subject, now lives in San Francisco - visiting London regularly - and his country's recognition, even at this late date, would certainly let it be seen by our friends in the United States that we hold our technologists in high esteem; also, for good measure, it would be a reminder that the important first steps in jet propulsion were taken well and truly in Great Britain.

If the Prime Minister considers my suggestion has merit, I have enclosed for convenient reference a re-print from the Aeronautical Journal of The Royal Aeronautical Society which outlines precisely the position of which I would wish him to be aware. Equally for convenience I would suggest that firstly the comments on page 133, and marked, be read.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,



R. G. Warden
Group Captain (AAF)
(Retired)



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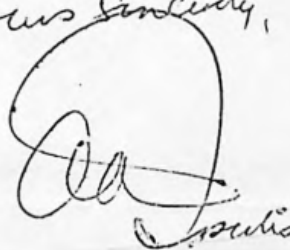
May 18, 1970

Dear Group Captain Warden

Thank you for your letter of May 12 in which you recommend the name of Mr. Mogens Louis Bramson for possible inclusion in an Honours List.

The Prime Minister is grateful to you for bringing Mr. Bramson's name to his notice and for inclosing a reprint from the Aeronautical Journal of the Royal Aeronautical Society. This is most helpful.

Mr. Bramson's name will be fully considered.

Yours sincerely,

Harold Wilson

Group Captain R. G. Warden.