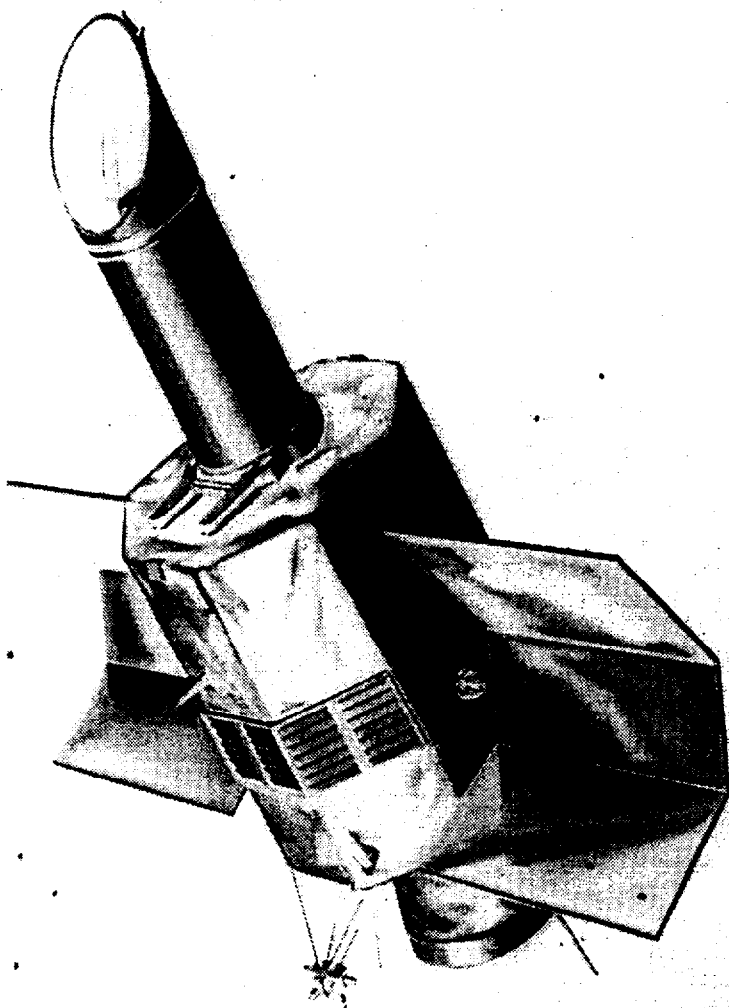

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Dear Colleague:

In the past, your editor has resisted the temptation to editorialize but instead preferred to give authors who contribute to the **IUE NEWSLETTER** the opportunity to present their articles in an expeditious manner. With the present issue of the **IUE NEWSLETTER** we have reached a milestone of sorts: Number 50. Perhaps this is a good time for some reflection on the fifteen years of success of the IUE project and the **IUE NEWSLETTER**.

Beginning with **NEWSLETTER** No. 26, dated April 1985, the undersigned has had the pleasure of bringing to you the last twenty-five issues. At the risk of being called a "bean-counter", I would like to mention that these past twenty-five issues comprise nearly 3,600 pages, in addition to a similar number for the preceding issues. The information contained in these pages is not readily available elsewhere but has served as a continuous and evolving guide to users of the IUE satellite and the interpretation of data obtained from its instruments, as well as the application of the numerous computer routines developed for use at the Goddard Regional Data Analysis Facility and elsewhere.

More importantly, with the continued expertise of the many and diverse contributors, the interest expressed by our readers as evidenced by frequent referencing of the **NEWSLETTER** in the astronomical literature, and the competence of the staff and secretary, lets try to go for another 50!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Walter A. Feibelman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

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