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FROM STAMFORD CALIFORNIA APRIL 29 1980 OUR MSG NO 458 TLX 348402 STANFRD STNU

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ATTN YOHEI MAGAI, MIPPON GAKKI COMPANY

I RECEIVED YOUR TELEX AND WILL INFORM YOU SHOULD I NOT HEAR FROM THE AIRLINE BY MAY 10.

IN REGARD TO THE REQUESTED TONE PARAMETERS, I MUST POINT OUT THE FOLLOWING: 1) WE HAD NO SYSTEM SINCE NOV. 1, ALTHOUGH WE WILL BE ABLE TO BEGIN WORK ONCE MORE IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS; 2) DEVELOPING TONES FOR THESE INSTRUMENTS AND IN THE REQUESTED CONDITIONS IS NOT A NORMAL PART OF OUR WORK. AS YOU KNOW, A LIMITED AMOUNT OF FM SIMULATION OF TONES HAS BEEN DONE AT CCRMA BUT ALWAYS IN THE CONTEXT OF COMPOSITIONS.

I STRONGLY SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE, WHICH, BY THE WAY, I SHOWED MR. WASHI AND TEAM DURING MY LAST VISIT TO MGK.

HAVE A TAPE MADE OF TONES FROM DESIRED INSTRUMENTS AT 1/4 OCTAVE THROUGH THE DESIRED RANGE, WHERE THE DURATION OF EACH TONE IS ABOUT 2 SECONDS.

WITH A FAST STORAGE SCREEN SPECTRUM ANALYZER, ONE CAN THEN VISUALLY MATCH THE BEST APPROXIMATION OF THE FM PRODUCED SPECTRUM TO THE RECORDED SPECTRUM. FINE TUNING CAN BE DONE WITH THE EAR AND EYE MUCH MORE RAPIDLY, THEREBY. YOU MUST REMEMBER, HOWEVER, THAT SOME INSTRUMENTS ARE NOT APPROXIMATED WITHOUT MORE CONTROL, E.G. THE SAXOPHONE SEEMS TO BE CHARACTERIZED BY PITCH BENDING.

I THINK SUCH WORK SHOULD BEGIN RIGHT AWAY, IF THESE TONES ARE CRITICAL, BUT, IN ANY CASE, RECORDINGS SHOULD BE PREPARED BY THE TIME THAT I ARRIVE. I WILL DO ALL THAT I CANDURING THAT PERIOD.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.
PROF. JOHN CHOWNING, CCRMA/AI LAS.

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