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Dear Bernie,

Sorry I haven't time just now to do a better job on this for you. I have sent a number of items under separate cover.

I think Josh is wrong if he believes we must choose between U.S. ratification excluding CS and anti-plant chemicals versus no U.S. ratification at all. The President will send the Protocol to the Senate by September, there will be hearings in 1971 and only then will we be able to judge whether a compromise will be necessary in order to secure the required 2/3 vote.

It is altogether premature to abandon the old principle of "no gas", if indeed we ever need to depart from **this**.

Best regards,

Matthew Meselson

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