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Dear Matt,

After a week to mull over the results of the Chicago meetings, I feel even more strongly that the sessions were extremely worthwhile. I think you and your group presented the material extremely effectively so that all observers came away with a feeling of the true impact of the herbicide program in Vietnam. The news articles on the whole were extremely good and I can't help but feel that you have laid a good ground work for future policy changes in this area. I also think the panel session was worthwhile as it provided an opportunity to present a variety of different points of view so that no one can claim that it was a one sided session. In fact, as I think of it, I am not sure that some consideration should not be given to editing a tape of both the morning and afternoon sessions and publishing it as a pamphlet. What would be your views on this?

In the meantime I think we have to try and get the program cut off completely at a very early date. The Administration is extremely vulnerable on this score and the ground work has been laid for future pressure in this connection. Certainly this can be done at the time of the Protocol hearings, but perhaps there are ways of getting the Administration to take such action in anticipation of these.

I enjoyed very much meeting your wife and daughter. With best regards to all.

Sincerely,

  
Herbert Scoville, Jr.

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