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Miss Pat Hunt
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New York, New York

Dear Miss Hunt:

I have just received from the Carnegie Endowment their newly published book "The Control of Chemical and Biological Weapons" and am enclosing a copy for your interest. On pages 121-122 you will find the article by Paul Doty which I mentioned in New York. The first three principal papers in the book, pages 1-91, give a great deal of background on the Geneva Protocol and the problems facing the United States as it moves to ratify the Protocol specifically in reference to harrassing gas and herbicides.

You will notice that I am co-author of the article dealing with harrassing gas, pages 64-93. I am also enclosing two articles on the general subject of chemical and biological weapons; one is from "Scientific American" magazine and the other is a publication of the World Health Organization.

I can hardly overestimate the importance of a thoughtful article in LIFE magazine that would tell the layman of the great long-term importance of our country's making the right decision that we reconsider our policy for chemical warfare over the next few months. If you should undertake the preparation of an article I would be glad to do anything I can to be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Matthew Meselson
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