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Dear John,

I gather that Canada is now very near to reaching its decision. If it comes out right, it will certainly be in good part as a result of your efforts. I especially liked your article on riot gas in the June issue of Science Forum.

The enclosed Suffield Memorandum is something I ran across which you might like to know of. I did not know that Canada had taken any interest in the development of herbicides for military purposes.

I also enclose copies of resolutions recently filed in the Senate by Senators Brooke and Humphrey and editorials from the Washington Post and the Christian Science Monitor in response to them.

I shall be away for the next six weeks. I hope this letter finds you well and in good spirits.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Matthew Meselson

P.S. I notice someone named Polanyi has published articles in the field of birth defects. Is it your wife? If so, I wonder if you know Glen Fraser at McGill? If you do, could you send me your candid opinion of him, which I would treat confidentially? He is the medical member of the newly constituted National Academy of Sciences committee to study the effects of herbicides in Vietnam.

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