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Mr. E. C. Glover
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Dear Mr. Glover,

Thank you for your note of 16 March and the copy of the U.K. Biological Weapons Act of 1974.

You will see under item 2 of the enclosed summary report that our NAS workshop took note of the fact that the U.S. Administration submitted a similar measure to the Congress but that no action was taken. Perhaps the current discussion of recombinant DNA will rekindle interest in bringing the Biological Weapons Convention into U.S. domestic law. I hope so.

It seems that no transcription of the NAS panel discussion is to be made. However, there may be a longer summary than the one I enclose. For further information I would suggest that you contact Virginia Davis at the Academy Forum Office directly.

Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter. I regret not having had the opportunity to meet you and hope that an occasion will arise during one of my next visits to Washington. I will contact you in advance at the next opportunity when I find that I will be in Washington and not attending non-stop meetings from arrival to take-off.

Sincerely yours,

Matthew Meselson
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