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Dear Freeman,

Your draft of Chapter 15 makes me want to read all the rest as soon as it is available. You present with beautiful clarity ideas, apprehensions, and hopes which I share and have in part inherited from you. Do I remember correctly that Dr. Moreau's goal was to combine the intelligence of humans with the superior moral qualities of the beasts? By having Dr. Moreau's creations destroy him, is Wells saying that the experiment succeeded?

I don't think I played so preeminent a role in biological disarmament as you say. I take the liberty of enclosing a copy of a letter to Linus Pauling, who was my thesis advisor at Cal Tech. In it, I tried to give a sketch of my activities.

Henry Kissinger and I were not neighbors except in the sense that we worked in adjacent buildings at Harvard. I do not know that I persuaded Kissinger of anything. And of course, I do not know if you are right to say that Kissinger persuaded Nixon. My impression as an outsider is that Kissinger and the NSC presented all the arguments and all the options to the President, and that the President made the final decisions very much on his own. I certainly would not like to give credence to the complaint of some old chemical core officers that Kissinger put something over on the President by screening out military arguments and recommendations. This fiction could act to erode our present policy and inhibit further progress.

A minor point is that page 15 may give the impression that I went to Vietnam after 1972, instead of 1970.

For your possible interest, I also enclose a copy of "Chemical Weapons and Chemical Arms Control," a book which several of us thought was needed to help create understanding and support for a chemical disarmament agreement. Finally, here are some ramblings transcribed by my former college roommate, now a

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science historian, Horace Judson.

My impression from reading Chapter 1 of your book, and from knowing you, is that you are doing something that goes way beyond government policies and treaties, something to build an ethos for the future, one that says a deep knowledge of life processes must be used only to reinforce what is essentially human in us.

Sincerely yours,