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Dear Dr. Meselson:

The Central Intelligence Agency has the responsibility to national leaders and policymakers through the Director of Central Intelligence for providing timely assessment of critical current and potential scientific/technological development. In order to obtain the best assistance in the area of Life Sciences, we are inviting a group of scientists to discuss research and emerging technologies. Your knowledge and experience in the area of molecular biology are a needed resource to the success of this effort and we sincerely invite your participation.

A three-part symposium spanning the two days of 10-11 April 1980 is proposed:

a. An overview of the current organization and scope of analyses in Life Science intelligence.

b. Presentations by members of the symposium of current and future developments which could have a significant impact on Life Sciences.

c. A full panel discussion addressing the following questions:

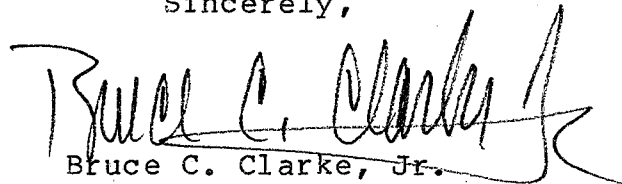
(1) What are the major projected developments in the Life Sciences which may pose a threat to the national security economically, politically, or militarily?

(2) Within the next 10 to 20 years, what emerging areas of Life Sciences will impact on foreign policy?

(3) What questions relative to the Life Sciences will or should our policy making customers be asking within 10 years? 20 years?

All discussions and briefings, some of which will be classified, will occur at the Headquarters, CIA, McLean, Virginia. Further details about the symposium will be discussed with you by staff members of the Life Sciences Division. I very much hope that you will be able to accept our invitation to attend.

Sincerely,



Bruce C. Clarke, Jr.