

John Stone

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Dear Craig,

Thanks for the translation of the Sverdlovsk article and for the Le Matin article on chemicals.

Enclosed is an article from Science magazine which, from what I know, appears to be rather well-balanced. Even now much of the important Soviet literature has yet to be obtained and evaluated in our government. My impression is that more is being done on this score at ACDA than at CIA. I received word the other day to expect a packet of materials from Julian Hoptman at CIA regarding Sverdlovsk. If anything very interesting shows up, I'll let you know. If he is still on the scene, you may want to get in touch with Ganas, who has written on the subject of French chemical weapons as indicated on the other item enclosed.

Sincerely Yours,

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enclosed: Wade article
Ganas - Nouveau Developpements