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Dear Han,

Your notes keep me from getting discouraged. I wonder if the T₂ toxin story could be a stunt that someone is pulling on naive U.S. government officials. From what I know of the substance, it ought to be vastly inferior to nerve agent as a weapon because of the much larger dose required. Also, T₂ toxin, when fed to or inhaled by laboratory animals, has only a delayed effect, starting only several hours after exposure, unlike what I understand to be reported from Laos. There may be some relevant things I do not know; still, I am pretty confident that the U.S. has no important military requirement for a big or exotic offensive chemical warfare capability.

How are you? Warm regards.

As ever,

P.S. We have moved into a brand new building across the street, hence the new address.