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Dear Professor Meselson:

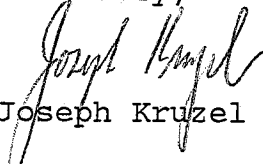
I have been asked by the Battelle Endowment for Technology and Human Affairs to organize a series of four debates next fall here at Ohio State on major issues in arms control and defense policy. We plan to have these debates recorded by our local PBS affiliate and subsequently made available as a package to public television stations around the country.

In addition to the inevitable subjects of SDI and START, one topic we want to address is chemical and biological warfare as well as the prospects for restraint on the development of such technologies. Since we envision a debate format, and since the series will be televised, we need to get pairs of speakers who are not only substantive experts, but who can also perform well in a debate format. We also need the right interpersonal chemistry; people who can argue with each other without resorting to ad hominen attacks.

I wonder if you would be interested in participating in such a debate. If the idea interests you in principle, I would be happy to discuss with you such issues as date, honorarium and the identity of a worthy and appropriate opponent. Amy Hoerber has been suggested to me, but I am open to other possibilities.

But please let me know by March 30. I hope you're interested.

Sincerely,


Joseph Kruzal