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Dear Matt,

Vladimir Pavlichenko, who is back in town for the Geneva negotiations, came to see me this morning. Amongst other matters he asked about your trip to Moscow which he stressed had been arranged by Chervov and himself using separate channels at very high levels. He stated flatly that Issraelyan had nothing to do with the visit. I stressed the need to go forward with your 1983 proposal and he said I should speak about this with Chervov again when the latter comes to a Pugwash meeting in Geneva on Accidental Nuclear War in mid-December.

In their representations for your visit both Chervov and he (Pavlichenko) strongly supported a visit to Sverdlovsk as proposed, with myself included, but apparently they wanted to proceed by stages.

He asked for a copy of your report which I gave him since he has been privy to the entire matter.

Yours,



Martin M. Kaplan.