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Dear Victor,

I refer to my letter to you of 15 September 1986 in which I enclosed Professor Meselson's draft report on his successful trip to Moscow in June 1986. Meselson has informed me that the results of his trip has had a very positive effect in influential Washington quarters. He has proceeded with his proposals as outlined on page 7 of his report and has sent letters twice through the USSR embassy in Washington to Dr. Bergasov, his contact in Moscow, who is Deputy Minister of Health, but has received no answer to date. Apparently, Dr. Bergasov retired very recently and this may explain the unfortunate delay in proceeding with Meselson's efforts. It is very important to do so, and I hope you can help in this respect as soon as possible.

Cordially yours,



M.M. Kaplan.

bcc. Prof. M. Meselson.
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