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Dear Dr. Meselson,

I am interested in your activities in the area of biological warfare, which is discussed in a recent article in The Scientist.

Do you know very much about the charges that the U.S. was involved in germ warfare during the Korean War? I am trying to locate information about this in connection with research I'm doing in history of medicine.

My work is centered on Dr. Walter P. Schrieber, an epidemiologist and German general who was brought to this country by the U.S. Air Force in 1951 on Project Paperclip. In 1952, he was forced to leave the U.S. under pressure from activist groups who claimed that he had been involved in concentration camps experiments during the war. During the time Schrieber was in the States, the government was accused by the Communist Daily Worker of using Schrieber for germ warfare in Korea.

I've obtained documents on the Schrieber case from the National Archives and from FOIA requests to government agencies but much of the material is still classified and unavailable to me.

If you have any suggestions, I'll be interested.

Sincerely yours,



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