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BY FEDERAL EXPRESS

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The United States Trade Representative
Executive Office of the President
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Dear Carla:

I have been hesitant about communicating with you, particularly about trivia. There are mountains of musts to be scaled. I think the matter below is one you may want to address.

We may have talked about my cousin, Matthew S. Meselson (Bud). He is a world famous microbiologist plus---who teaches at Harvard. I am enclosing a CV and a blurb about him. He was an efficient force in having the U.S. enter into the anti-biological warfare treaty.

Bud will be testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee this week on the subject of Chemical Warfare and particularly on two bills, one sponsored by Helms and the other by Pell. Testifying with him will be Will D. Carpenter, a vice president of Monsanto who heads up its Agri-Chemicals Division and James Leonard. I believe Bud was an effective instrument in getting Will Carpenter to appear. Carpenter is very knowledgeable on the subject.

The Pell and Helms legislation involve the imposition of economic sanctions on countries having CW capability. That will probably come before you in one way or another. Among other things it is proposed that the United States will cease honoring patents granted to citizens of targeted countries, deny landing rights, and impose other impediments. In Bud's view that will create a chaotic situation and not address the root problem. The United States, moreover, maintains a stock of chemical weapons and is not in the best position to raise pointed objections. Bud is of the conviction that instead of

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taking indefensible half measures we ought to join in the treaty banning chemical warfare. President Bush has taken the position that a stop should be brought to CW.

Bud has been identified with disarmament problems for a long time and has consulted with various branches of the government. He is dedicated to a pragmatic program to maintain rational preparedness. (Who ever espouses anything different?) If you can lend a shoulder without breaking an already over-laden back, I'd appreciate it.

Love,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack".

JG:ka

Enclosures
As stated above