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IN REPLY REFER TO

Office of the Commander

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Dr. Matthew Meselson
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Dear Doctor Meselson:

Many thanks for the prepublication copy of Prospects for a Chemical Weapons Disarmament Treaty. You made a number of good points. With the President's commitment to a chemical weapons ban I am sure something will be signed; however, I have heard a number of people from the various "think tanks" suggest that a worldwide chemical ban may not be achieved, at least not in the near future. I suppose that from a U.S. point of view a bilateral (East/West) would meet our security needs.

The work here continues. Some of our people have been involved in an outbreak of Hantaan virus infections in Yugoslavia. Also, we have a rather large group attending international virus meetings in Yugoslavia and Moscow in the September/October time frame. The meeting in Moscow is co-chaired by Colonel Monath, Chief of our Virology Division. As you can see contacts and joint ventures between East and West have increased markedly.

If you are in the area I would enjoy seeing you again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. Huxsoll".

David L. Huxsoll
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Commander