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Dear Paul:

At our CISS meeting in Washington, April 5 and 6, I hope some time can be devoted to the Chemical Weapons Convention negotiations. This session of the CD is rate-limited by the lack of instructions to the US Delegation and by inadequate staff support in Washington. Without more domestic US interest in the Convention, the shortcomings in Washington could persist, imperiling the whole multilateral effort in Geneva. Another problem now coming into view is that of avoiding crippling delays in the chemical demilitarization schedule due to inadequate attention to environmentalist concerns.

I would be glad to prepare a memo if I know in advance that this is a subject that we are willing to tackle. Please let me know. I will try to attend both days but may be unable to be there on the 5th.

Sincerely,

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cc: Jeffrey Boutwell