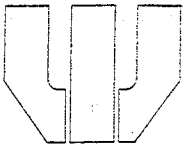


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Dear Matthew:

I appreciate you sending me the article dealing with Sverdlovsk, and a copy of your discussion "Verification of Biological and Toxin Weapons Disarmament."

The article dealing with Sverdlovsk is interesting, and appears to support previous information concerning the incident in 1979. I note with interest that the new president of the Republic of Russia comes from Sverdlovsk and since he is supporting the opening of the country I wonder whether this might be an opportunity to gain an invitation to his "birth place."

I assume that the scientific paper for publication that the Russians talked about when they were in Washington still has not appeared. I wonder why there has been this delay?
Best wishes

Sincerely,

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