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Prof. Matthew Meselson
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Dear Matt:

At the Pugwash Conference in Egham in mid-September Goldanski gave me the enclosed copy of an interesting article from the USSR Literary Gazette. It is their presentation of the Anthrax Affair. It may or may not contain anything new but it ventilates the various interpretations. I hope you will get it translated. Vitali thought that it might provide an opening for you to reopen the case. Any such attempt might be helped by the fact that Yeltsin was the Party Secretary in Smolensk when the outbreak occurred and it may be able to get his attention.

You will recall that Vitali had told me previously that he had tried to interest the head of the KGB in opening the case but was told that the time was not ripe, too much risk of upsetting the delicate balance.

Sincerely,

Paul

PS I expect to see Vitali in Moscow Oct. 27-Nov. 2.