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Dear Professor Meselson:

I am writing to invite you to a symposium on new ideas for arms control in the Middle East. The meeting is part of a project that we are currently supporting, with the Henry L. Stimson Center, under the direction of Dr. Alan Platt.

The symposium will be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 11, 1991 at the U.S. Institute of Peace. Alan will open the meeting with an overview of the project. This will be followed in the course of the day by five presentations:

Seth Carus, Senior Fellow, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, "Arms Control and the Proliferation of Ballistic Missiles"

Pierce Corden, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, "A Middle East Crisis Communications Center"

Richard Darilek, Senior Associate, The Rand Corporation, "Confidence-and Security-Building Measures in the Middle East"

Charles Floweree, former U.S. Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament, "Arms Control and the Proliferation of Chemical Weapons"

Michael Krepon, President, Henry Stimson Center, "Cooperative Aerial Surveillance in the Middle East"

We anticipate that the meeting will be attended by between 25-30 specialists, drawn from both the arms control and Middle East fields. Draft copies of the papers are due prior to the meeting and will be forwarded to attendees prior to March 11. Unfortunately, we are not able to cover the travel costs of participants.

In the past, concerted arms control efforts have usually followed the outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East. Accordingly, this subject has taken on increasing importance and relevance in the wake of events in the Persian Gulf. The meeting will be held in the ground floor conference room at USIP, 1550 M St., NW Washington, DC. If you would like to attend, please let us know by March 1 by calling Lesha Lilly at (202) 457-1700.

I look forward to seeing you on March 11.

Sincerely,

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