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April 2, 1991

The Honorable William S. Cohen
US Senate

Dear Senator Cohen,

Knowing of your particular interest in the international control of chemical and biological weapons, I wish to invite you to a small informal dinner meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at 7:00 PM at the Cosmos Club in Washington.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss what steps are needed, now that the Gulf War is over and Iraq is likely to be required to eliminate its CBW capability, to achieve an effective Chemical Weapons Convention in the near future.

The others present at the dinner will be Ambassadors James Leonard and Charles Flowerree, Mr. Will Carpenter (Vice President, Monsanto Agricultural Corporation), Dr. Shirley Freeman (former director, Materials Research Labs, Australian Department of Defense and advisor to the Australian CD delegation in Geneva), Dr. Jack Ooms (former director of Dutch CBW defense research and advisor to the Dutch CD delegation) and Mr. Julian Robinson of Sussex University. In addition, I have invited General Edward Meyer who is presently out of the country and has not yet responded. The appropriate member of your staff concerned with CBW matters would also be most welcome.

For your possible interest in advance of the meeting, I enclose a copy of the December issue of the quarterly publication, the Chemical Weapons Convention Bulletin, edited by Julian Robinson and myself, along with an article of mine on chemical defense that will appear in the next issue.

My office telephone is (617) 495-2264. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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