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Dear Director:

I wish to comment favorably on the proposal of The Arms Control Centre to conduct a study of The Third Biological Weapons Review Conference. Although the specific results of the Conference scheduled for September 1991 remain to be seen, it is certain that many issues will be raised that will be of continuing importance for attempts to eliminate biological weapons. A careful study of the results of the Conference and an analysis of problems and opportunities beyond the Conference would be most useful. It is this that The Arms Control Centre proposes to do. I believe they are well-situated to accomplish this objective and in particular that Mr. Peter Gizewski, the Research Analyst who would be in charge of the proposed study, is capable of conducting work of high quality.

The proposed research schedule is reasonable, although it may be that a somewhat longer period would allow for more adequate consultation with officials and analysts outside of Canada. I have not seen the proposed budget and therefore cannot evaluate it.

The proposal is timely and would result in a most useful study. I recommend that it be supported.

Sincerely,

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