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Dear Mr Asim,

Now that the year is nearly at an end, we are writing, as we promised at El Escorial, regarding the possibility of the Harvard-Sussex Program joining with you to hold a meeting in Pakistan on matters relating to the Chemical Weapons Convention. Having been able to meet here in Cambridge these past few days, we have considered the prospect carefully and are now keen to proceed.

What would you think of a 2 or 3-day meeting to consider all three major areas of interest: security, the chemical industry and trade, and relevant technical matters?

We would be able to cover the travel expenses of five or six persons beside ourselves coming from outside the area. The accompanying list gives examples of such individuals whose participation we think would be valuable.

We would hope that you would be able to identify and invite technical, industrial and other experienced people from Pakistan and neighboring countries as you think appropriate. In addition, if you wish, we could also invite someone from Turkey.

If acceptable to you, a particularly convenient time for us would be during the week of March 22-29.

If this all seems attractive to you, we would have an opportunity to discuss the matter further with individuals in Geneva, particularly Ambassador Kamal, on January 10-13 when we shall both be there.

We hope we may hear from you soon. The FAX number here is USA (617) 495-8308.

Cordially,

Matthew Meselson

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