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Dear Professor Meselson:

On behalf of the President's Committee on Chemical and Biological Convention Matters and the Academy of Sciences of the Russian Federation, I would like to invite you to participate in the first Moscow Conference on Chemical and Biological Arms Control. MOSCON 93 will be held May 19-21, 1993, at the President Hotel in Moscow, and will bring together the world's leading political, diplomatic and technical authorities on the control of these weapons of mass destruction.

The recent signing of the Chemical Weapons Convention represented the culmination of years of effort to eliminate this modern scourge. You played a central role in that process, and helped to make this unprecedented agreement a reality. MOSCON is intended to focus the attention of the world on the next phase in that process: implementation.

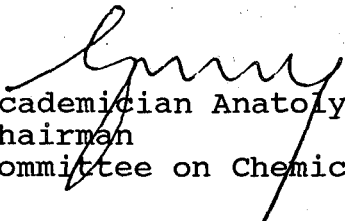
The challenges of destroying existing stockpiles (particularly in Russia and the United States), preventing further proliferation, and building confidence in a rapidly evolving new system of international controls require dialogue and understanding. MOSCON 93 will help the nations of the world in meeting those challenges, and in identifying accompanying opportunities.

I have enclosed a brochure which provides details on the program and logistical information. We are planning the conference in cooperation with two U.S. entities, the Chemical and Biological Arms Control Institute (CBACI) and the International Center for Disarmament and Conversion. Please feel free to direct any inquiries you may have to CBACI's Mr. Kyle Olson at (703) 739-1539 or (800) 528-1041.

I sincerely hope that you will elect to take part in this important international conference. Its significance for my

country and for the entire world can be very great. I look forward to seeing you in Moscow.

Sincerely,


Academician Anatoly Kuntsevich
Chairman
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