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Dear Matthew,

Please excuse this crude and improvised note. However, I thought you might be interested in an informal progress (or lack of) report. The memo to Rusk has finally fought its way through the inexplicable red tape process although it is still too early to receive a reaction. More importantly, Bob Ellis is writing a memo on the establishment of a re-evaluation committee for G. Rathjens. Although I have not had the time to follow his work, I believe his thoughts are generally along the lines we ~~have~~ had discussed before you departed. However, the procedural problems, i.e., panel composition, auspices, environment, etc., probably reign supreme and deserve a consultant's attention(if you have time). On the other hand, no longer a member of ST myself, this is in the nature of a private note and I presume you have discussed this with G.Rathjens.

Very little else to report except that the Agency is facing the autumn with a continuing and possibly endless search for a mission. I thought you might be interested in the accompanying article. Finally, Bob and I went to Edgewood and the essence of what we heard is 1) it does not appear to be as promising as the military had hoped

and 2) the primary recommendation is that more R&D be carried out before conclusions can be drawn. Ellis has the report which you should read on your next visit.

Hope you have a challenging fall with your students. I will be looking forward to hearing from you.

Jim K.