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Dear Dudley and Matt:

Much as I would like to sign the letter to Senator Lott, I think that the Academy can be more effective by organizing a workshop in Washington to discuss the issues, to which we invite Congressional participation. Since we have not previously done a study that addresses the Chemical Weapons Convention, such an event better fits our role as an advisor; it also seems more likely to have an impact. Bill Colglazier and Jo Husbands will be in touch with you to discuss the possibilities. I would commit Academy funds to this effort.

Sincerely,



Bruce Alberts
President

c: Bill Colglazier
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