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Dear Professor Meselson;

I am sending to you by mail a copy of the report of the Tokyo Forum on Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament. This is a culmination of the efforts of Prof. Joe Nye and the other participants of the forum over the past year. I myself helped the work as a member of the Secretariat. You may have a look at the report by clicking on the Hiroshima Peace Institute website; <http://serv.peace.hiroshima-cu.ac.jp/final1-e.htm> as well.

The report is basically about nuclear weapons but it also addresses their relationship with the other weapons of mass destruction and their delivery vehicles reflecting the increasing threat posed by biological and chemical weapons.

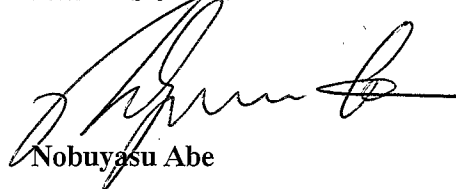
The report so far has a good reception here and abroad and I am pleased about it. The task now is for the Japanese and other governments to carry out the recommendations contained. There are very realistic short term ones and also rather long-term ones. I think they have to be tackled as they fit.

I will soon be moving to Vienna to assume a new responsibility as Ambassador to the international organizations there which include IAEA, CTBTO and NSG. I will be moving there perhaps in the latter half of October. In my new capacity I hope to continue my works on arms control and nonproliferation.

When you have a chance to come to Europe please try to call on me. I will try to do so when I come to the U.S.

Thanking you for all your help, I am,

Sincerely yours,



Nobuyasu Abe