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**Robert Sherman**  
**Executive Director**  
**Arms Control and Nonproliferation Advisory Board**  
**Department of State**  
**2201 C Street, Room 5844**  
**Washington, DC 20520**

**Dear Bob:**

**This is to let you know that at the close of the ACNAB meeting of Wednesday, July 19, I inadvertently included amongst the unclassified documents that I took to my room at the State Plaza Hotel a document classified "secret" that had been provided to the Board in multiple copies during the briefing given by William Courtney and Andrew Weber. I did not realize this until reaching my hotel room. At the beginning of the second day of our meeting, I returned the document to our chairman Dr. Garwin and explained to him what had happened. Throughout the entire time between the distribution of the document on Wednesday until I gave it to Garwin on Thursday morning it was in my personal and exclusive possession.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Matthew Meselson'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

**Matthew Meselson**