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In reply please refer to: N64/372/31

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Prière de rappeler la référence:

Personal and confidential

Dear Matt,

... I am enclosing information on the UN Consultant Group on Chemical and
... Bacteriological (Biological) Weapons and their terms of reference concerning
a report to be drawn up for the Eighteen-Nation Disarmament Committee and the
UN General Assembly. The final draft of this report will be prepared by the
UN Group in June.

... I am also enclosing an outline of a WHO submission, upon which we are
working, requested by U Thant for the UN Group. I am co-ordinating the
preparation of the WHO report in which some fifteen WHO secretariat staff
and consultants are involved.

A draft of the WHO report should be ready in May and we should like this
draft to be reviewed by yourself, Macfarlane Burnet, Joshua Lederberg,
John Humphrey and André Lwoff. I understand that you plan to attend the next
meeting of the Pugwash Study Group on BW in Czechoslovakia beginning on 22 May,
and the review by the small group mentioned previously could be held here in
Geneva on 19 and 20 May along with the WHO secretariat and consultants who
have worked on the report.

I understand that the expenses of your trip to Europe to attend the
Pugwash meeting are already being covered, and we should be glad to pay the
extra costs involved for your travel within Europe en route to Prague and
per diem while in Geneva. Could you please let me know as soon as possible
whether these arrangements would be convenient.

We should be most grateful to you for your help in this important matter.

Cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

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* at Kaplan's Lodge, Geneva, with perhaps
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