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Prof. Matthew S. Meselson  
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Dear Matt:

On the enclosed page of the minutes of the last Council meeting you can read the motion authorizing formation of committees of experts and outlining their functions.

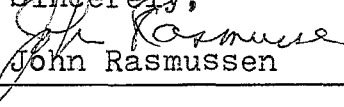
I have already written Profs. Weisskopf and Chamberlain about their possibly chairing committees in areas of their special interests.

You have been far-and-away the leading and most effective scientific spokesman on the CBW issue. Would you be willing to form and head up such a committee?

I much appreciated your presentation at the SSRS meeting at Yale and was sorry I couldn't make it to your workshop. I understand the transcripts of workshops are to be printed by SSRS.

Keep me on your mailing list for CBW material. What you sent me in the past was very useful in providing me with some background for the August testimony Sidel, Paulsen, and I gave to the PSAC panel in Washington. You might consider sending action suggestions for F.A.S. membership down to Judith Eckerson for inclusion in the Newsletter. I urged her to include material from your June 23 testimony, and you may have noticed that she gave about a third of the whole September Newsletter to this.

Sincerely,

  
John Rasmussen

cc Herb York

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