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Jim and Ron,

Mike Sauri and Steve Waugh have already responded and will send their > replies next . I mailed this off to Waugh and Sauri Saturday but had to wait to find your e-mails today. Stader no longer has e-mail so I must mail his copy later this week. I did talk to him on the phone and also sent him a copy of your first book, Jim. I'm up in Essex, NY, with my mom at the moment.

Steve

Matthew Meselson has asked me to pass a copy of a chapter that will be published. Please review for any errors. I think it is a very good idea that all team members or folks associated with Yellow Rain should get a chance to see and possibly change anything that gets published concerning "Yellow Rain." Obviously we didn't get much chance before.

Thanks,  
Steve

Here is the background:

I attach for your interest a draft chapter written together with my UK colleague Professor Julian Robinson. It is for a book being organized by the US Naval Postgraduate School Center for Contemporary Conflict, with chapters on the general topic of "Identification, Characterization, and Attribution of Biological Weapons Use". The book will also contain a chapter by Dr. Rebecca Katz arguing, with little factual basis, that fairly large-scale lethal chemical warfare, whether or not involving trichothecene mycotoxins, did occur in Laos and Kampuchea.

We have been given until the end of March to prepare a final version of our chapter, taking account of the numerous but not major comments of the copy-editor, and would be very glad to have any comments or corrections you may wish to pass along.

A few weeks ago I had the pleasure of having lunch with Merle Pribbenow in DC – a true professional with a dry wit that shows in his Yellow Rain article and other writings. Over the years I have met or corresponded with quite a few of the people involved with the YR investigation here and in Thailand, and heard just this week from Henry Wilde. In addition to his other activities, he has taken on the job of co-editor of "Asian Biomedicine" formerly the Chulalongkorn Medical Journal, and plans to upgrade the journal a lot, get it into medline, etc. It was Henry some time ago who suggested that I get in touch with you and I regret that I did not do so earlier.

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