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Dear Dr Housewright,

Since speaking to you from Elberg's office, I have returned to Europe and have spoken to Dr Ivan Bennett, Professor E. Feld, Head of the United States Pugwash Committee, and to Professor J. Rotblat, Secretary-General of Pugwash, concerning the holding of a Pugwash Symposium on Rapid Detection and Identification of Pathogenic Microorganisms. I understand that the matter has been acted upon favourably by the Pugwash Continuing Committee at its meeting a few days ago in London, although it does not seem certain at present whether the meeting itself would be considered for Fort Detrick, or perhaps the nearby Fogarty Center. This matter is entirely in the hands of the US Pugwash group and you will hear more definitely about this meeting from Professor Feld. If everything goes through satisfactorily, I shall no doubt be in touch with you concerning the discussions and working documents for the meeting itself as I have been asked to assist in this matter.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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