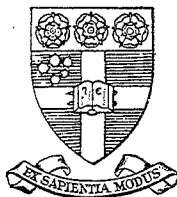


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5th May, 1970.

Professor M. Meselson,  
The Biological Laboratories,  
Harvard University,  
16 Divinity Avenue,  
CAMBRIDGE. MASSACHUSETTS. 02138 U.S.A.

Dear Professor Meselson,

On the 17th November, 1969, you sent to me some information on a testing range somewhere in Australia to which U.S. personnel occasionally journey for chemical warfare testing.

I sent this information to the Australian Minister for Defence (without disclosing your name) and asked for his comment. The enclosed is the Minister's reply, and as you can see, he clearly states that there is no testing of chemical weapons in Australia. There is a great deal of secrecy in Australia at present, especially about two sites jointly operated by Australia and U.S.A. It is possible that some testing is conducted at either Pine Gap or Woomera Rocket Range, but I have not been able to establish this point.

I would appreciate any comment you have on the Minister's letter.

Yours sincerely,

*A B Lloyd*

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