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Mr. Robert Wise
Universal Studios
100 Universal City Plaza
Universal City, Calif

Dear Mr. Wise:

In producing the film version of "The Andromeda Strain", I trust that you will take reasonable and prudent precautions to minimize the possibility of public confusion between me and any of the characters in the novel.

The courtesy of an acknowledgment would be appreciated. I hope it can include your assurances that you will deal in an informed and considerate fashion with this issue.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg
Professor of Genetics and
Biology

Nobel Laureate (for work in
bacterial genetics)

I enclose some materials that may help to explain my concern over the possibility of such a confusion.

1. Biographical summary (Current Biography 3/59); curriculum vitae -current
2. Published articles concerning planetary quarantine.

" Moondust" 1958

~~Signs of Life~~ Exobiology 1960

columns -- 2/26/67; 8/31/68; 9/7/68

3. Adv. from Washington Post

CC: Carl Sagan (Cornell)