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Dear Dr Lederberg,

thank you very much for your letter of 23 December 1990 and for providing me with the two interesting reprints ("The once and future professor" and "The social function of the scientist"). May I repeat the question of my 4 July 1990 letter to ask whether you can kindly provide me with material on the conference on "Emerging Viruses" including (a preprint of) the review prepared by Stephen Morse (as mentioned in Science, vol. 247, p. 279).

The Iraq problem was discussed in Kühlungsborn only marginally (see page 14 and 15 of the enclosed reprints). To me it is still an open question whether the Iraq was in the possession of biological and toxin weapons, indeed, and whether and which BW and TW agents have been weaponized. Perhaps implementation of the obligations of the armistice will finally provide an satisfactory answer which might have a decisive impact on, among other things, the course of the Third Review Conference to the BW Convention.

Sincerely,

Erhard Geissler [an E. Berlin advocate of the
2d USSR party line on BW] .
Erhard Geissler

#example of crumbling's questioning our intelligence assessment of Iraqi BW.

It is urgent that we get the physical evidence from suspect sites out in the open.

John

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