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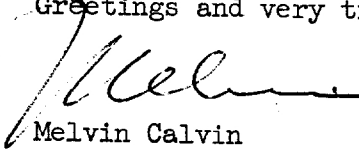
Dear Josh:

Here are some copies of the stuff that Harold Weaver collected which we thought you would like to distribute to the members of WESTEX.

I am looking forward to seeing the minutes of our last meeting, especially since we were not there at its final summation.

Also, I am wondering if you have an opinion regarding the number of organisms per gram of rock that one might find, say on a high mountain, or per gram of dry sand from a similar location. Also, do you have some idea of the bacterial population of various kinds of soils?

Greetings and very truly yours,



Melvin Calvin  
Professor of Chemistry

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