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Dr. William C. Rucker
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My dear Doctor Rucker:

There has been some talk of the use in Louisiana of a form of cannabis indica known as mariajuana or muggles that is brought in from Mexico.

You probably have seen users of this drug in the hospital; if so, I would like to know how many within the past year. It would be of interest to me to know whether the use of the drug by these patients was continuous or merely a sporadic indulgence by sailors who had visited Mexico. I would also like to hear of any effects you have observed either of the use of the drug or of the withdrawal of it.

Very sincerely yours,

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Lawrence Kolb,
Surgeon.