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Hull, England

Dear Gary,

Thank you for your letter of April 7.

We have entered into a contract with Woodard Laboratories. They have begun their work with the 10 grams diprenorphine you sent me, and earlier this week called to say that the material is sufficiently non-toxic that, to meet the FDA requirements, they may require an additional 15 grams for toxicity studies.

I called Dr. John King, as your letter indicated (I had not heard from Dr. Kiltie or Dr. King) and when I broached the subject, he said that he would call me back that day with some answer. He did not call back.

Since the White House has entered into negotiations with Lederle and with yourselves, it is clear that our original understanding (that of supplies from Hull) is no longer valid.

I have indicated to Dr. Jerome Jaffe that, in the face of the awesome office he holds, I can do no more than wait patiently for some resolution. The present studies will end within the next fortnight, lacking additional supplies.

C'est la vie !

My best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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