

November 4, 1971

Dr. Clyde Strickland
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West Point, Pennsylvania 19486

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed is a report of our comparison of 1-alpha-acetylmethadol with methadone. We found 80 mg. methadol three times a week equivalent to 100 mg. methadone daily. While the therapeutic saving is small, the saving in illicit methadone and personnel costs can be large.

My thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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