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Professor Joshua Lederberg  
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Dear professor Lederberg:

I have a pleasure to send you a composition of Russian BW Group supposed to participate in our next joint meeting on Biological Weapons Control on April 18-19, 1994 in Moscow:

Academician R.Petrov, Chairman, BW Group, Vice-President, RAS  
Academician V.Bolshakov, Director, Institute of Ecology of Plants and Animals, Ural Branch, RAS

Academician V.Ivanov, Director, Institute of Bioorganic Chemistry, RAS

Academician A.Kuntsevitch, Chairman, Committee on Chemical and Biological Weapons Convention Problems with President of Russian Federation

Academician L.Sandakhchiev, Director, Scientific-Production Association "Vektor"

Academician A.Vorobyev, Head of Chair for Microbiology, Virusology and Immunology, Sechenov Academy of Medicine,

Professor S.Rogov, Deputy Director, Institute of USA and Canada Studies, RAS, President, Center of National Security Problems and International Relations

Dr.Yu.Shiyan, Chief Expert and CISAC Coordinator, RAS

Members of Russian BW Group would be prepared to make presentations on the following topics of our meeting agenda:

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1. Ways to strengthen the Biological Convention  
Professor S.Rogov  
Academician L.Sandakhchiev  
Academician A.Vorobyev
2. Problems of smallpox collections destruction  
Academician L.Sandakhchiev  
Academician A.Vorobyev
3. Ecology of anthrax in Sverdlovsk Region  
Academician V.Bolshakov
4. Conversion of defense-related facilities  
Academician L.Sandakhchiev  
Academician A.Kuntsevitch  
Academician A.Vorobyev

Besides, academician V.Ivanov plans to present his ideas on joint projects to create new generations of vaccines.

Academician A.Vorobyev would like also to discuss with American colleagues a possible use of recombinant microorganisms producing biologically active substances as biological warfare agents. This issue could be discussed within the framework of the first topic if you don't mind.

We would appreciate your comments with respect to these suggestions. Looking forward to hear from you soon,

Sincerely yours

Academician R.Petrov  
Vice-President  
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