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Dear Dr. Viola:

On a recent trip to Paris, I had an opportunity to talk with Dr. Aonzo about his discussions with you concerning the cancer studies on vinyl chloride, and I was especially pleased to have your letter today dealing with this same subject.

There are a number of individual companies, as well as industrial organizations in the United States, who are concerned with vinyl chloride and any toxic properties that it might have. The Manufacturing Chemists Association, through its Committee on Occupational Health, has coordinated studies on health problems related to the manufacture of polyvinyl chloride. This committee is now much interested in the studies done at the Cancer Institute in Rome.

It is quite likely that some similar research may be sponsored by industries in this country and in this event, I think that your suggestion for communications between you and your associates and whatever laboratory that would undertake this work would be highly desirable. In fact, when a decision has been made for such studies and an appropriate laboratory selected, I think it would be highly desirable to establish communications at an early date so that there might be possibility of coordination of efforts and information between these organizations.

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You suggest that it might be appropriate to establish a committee which would assist in disseminating information and the like. I would rather comment on the desirability for such a committee at a later date when we know more about research that might be initiated here in the States. In any event, I certainly agree with your concept of developing and maintaining good communications and I shall be happy to assist in bringing this about.

I want to thank you for your letter and for your cooperation in discussing this work with Dr. Aonzo and making available to him certain information which he has been kind enough to send to me.

Sincerely yours,

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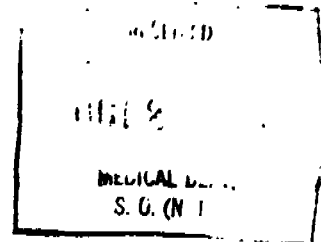
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Dear Dr. Hendricks,

Mr. Aonzo of Rome has informed me that you are interested in the problem of cancerous action of the chloride of vinyl.

At the Cancer Institute of Rome they are largely experimenting this problem and it results to me that others researches of United States and Europe are interesting themselves about this.

It would be my desire to institute a Committee of Control for disposing the different researches and having reciprocal results known.

If you are interested in this question, will you be kind enough to write to me for a possible meeting.

Thanking you in advance for your answering, I remain,

Yours faithfully.

Pierluigi Viola

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