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and the war could take a new and interesting turn.

Two things are involved in that situation: laying Monsanto's reputation on the line with a certification that we think this is really worlds better than the existing system; and a formal repudiation of Detrick's judgment on evaluation of screening. We were critical of Detrick's screening evaluation and I am on record this month in a letter to Minarik, but I do not feel that it is wise to go over their heads in this way. In my opinion, if we ever get more Defoliant money, it will be from Detrick (if and when Detrick can get some more) and not via ARJ.

We regret, along with Detrick, that the Pentagon saw fit to end the Defoliant program. We might argue the judgment of that decision, but we do not dispute the data on which the judgment was reached. On this basis I oppose taking of our iodides to ARJ for test of a combination. We have a (small but) better chance to get more Defoliant money by waiting for Detrick to come back into the money.

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