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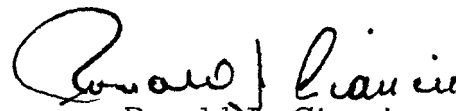
Dear Sir:

Re: Comments on Proposal entitled "Asbestos Particles in
Food and Drugs" Appearing in the Federal Register of
September 28, 1973, (38 FR 27076)

We have previously indicated to you our intention to file comments with respect to the above captioned matter and asked for an extension of time within which to file such comments. During this time period we reviewed the data which we had accumulated with respect to this matter as well as the comments submitted by the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association. It was determined that the comments previously submitted by the PMA adequately express the concerns of Miles Laboratories, Inc. and that it would not be necessary for Miles to file comments separately.

We thank you for your consideration in extending the time for submitting comments which enabled us to assess the necessity of filing separate comments.

Yours very truly,


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