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DIRECTOR

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Dear Doctor Lynch:

As you perhaps know, I have been released to inactive duty after five years and six months with the Navy. During the past two years of that duty I served as Director of the Medical Sciences Division of the Office of Naval Research. In that capacity my office enjoyed some correspondence with you.

Now, I have returned to Saranac Lake as Director of Research of the Trudeau Foundation and Director of The Saranac Laboratory in an attempt to discharge many of Dr. Gardner's obligations and commitments and to accomplish much of what he planned and envisioned. That task is indeed a tremendous one, yet my prewar years of association with him afford at least some background for the solution of the problems and issues confronting the Laboratory at this time.

One of the problems relates to the collation of clinical and experimental studies of asbestosis accomplished by The Saranac Laboratory. In reviewing these studies and related correspondence, I learn of your kind efforts in editing Dr. Gardner's manuscripts and recorded writings for purposes of a report and publication. This matter has been discussed with our mutual friend Dr. Lanza, who has kept the Laboratory informed by copies of correspondence pertinent to such publication. In consequence, a copy of your letter of June 30 to Dr. Lanza and his reply thereto have been forwarded to me.

I recognize your concern and appreciate the difficulty in presenting adequately the interpretations and views which Dr. Gardner recorded before his death. The manuscript which he was preparing constitutes a significant contribution. Its publication alarms me, however, lest other evidence accumulated in the past several months might have caused Dr. Gardner to revise some of the statements which he recorded at that time. In his interests and also because of the Laboratory, which must continue as a lasting memory in his honor, I know you will agree with my alarm. I am sure that Dr. Lanza would concur. Therefore, Dr. Lynch, I would appreciate your comments and views so that our action concerning the host of studies, reports and publications which we contemplate might be prepared accordingly.

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We at the Laboratory would welcome you at any time should you find the opportunity to visit us.

Sincerely yours,

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CC: Dr. Anthony J. Lanza

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