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Dear Sir:-

RE: BIP SURVEY

I am enclosing a condemnation of the Survey. I have met with Dr. Brown since our last Q.A.M.A. meeting at Sherbrooke. We have endeavored to reach a "condemnation" for publication, avoiding references to the so-called method of reporting or classifying "asbestosis" at our clinics. In fact the epidemiological survey is one conducted for the purpose of determining the cancer incidence in asbestos workers (and not in workers necessarily suffering from "asbestosis").

The present figures and data as to smoking habits are explained on page 18 (bottom) and conclusions in that connection, however, have been avoided.

Inasmuch as Dr. Brown will be covering his connection with BIP on January let sent your comments, if any, should be forwarded to me at an early date.

I remain,

Faithfully yours,

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