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Your Ref. Our Ref. T/po 29th May 1970.

Dear Bob,

To-day I sent you the following telex:

> "having serious troubles with getting production licence for Pyrospray from labour safety council due to asbestos, so visit Walter Czarnecki has to be postponed, letter follows"

Actually there is tremendous fear for the cancer hazards due to the use of asbestos, going on in Europe. For this reason we can not get a licence from the official labour safety council and for the time being I can not judge the possibilities for achieving this. Discussions are held in the Common Market context to set strict regulations.

How are the chances that Keene's research department can develop Pyrospray without asbestos and maintaining the fire insulation properties?

We also have to consider now what to do whether we can find another region in Holland that gives a licence or that we have to cooperate with Siafom or any other company capable to produce Pyrospray for us without getting entangled in regulations.

I will keep you posted. Meanwhile best personal regards,

sincerely,

Kian Hok Tan.

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P.S. Please find enclosed a copy of mr. Prentice's letter to Dick Blok, dated 22nd May 1970, covering the subject of partitions.

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