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Buenos Aires, May 22nd, 1945

Dr. Robert A. Kehoe,
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Dear Dr. Kehoe,

I am very much obliged to you for your letter of April 28th. 1945 enclosing a very comprehensive memorandum on the hygienic requirements for the manufacture and transportation of lead tetraethyl and its highly concentrated mixtures, and for mixing such materials with gasoline.

After reading all this information I have come to the conclusion that it is desirable, as you point out, that any regulations issued in this country should not merely be concerned with the details of medical examinations and medical supervision, as these alone would not be adequate to provide reasonable safe working conditions for the men. In the circumstances, and after consulting Mr. Bevan, I have decided to use the full text of your memorandum in any discussions with Government representatives, and have completed it by adding information extracted from our regulations on the subject of blending, distribution of leaded gasoline and cleaning of tanks. I enclose a copy of the English version, as well as a copy of the Spanish translation. I hope that you will agree with the additions which I have made for use in this country.

So far, neither Doctor Pavlovsky nor I have had any direct contact with the Government representatives. I wrote to the Director General of Public Health on May 7th, 1945, as per translation of letter enclosed, but have not yet had a reply. I am allowing a few more days to elapse before taking any further steps, especially as Y.P.F. have promised to back my request. Should I still receive no reply, I propose to send the Director General of Public Health a copy of the Spanish memorandum and attempt to see him personally.

I have not only studied your memorandum very carefully, but have also made a note of the various points dealt with in your letter, and you may be sure that I will be guided by your very clear instructions in any discussions with the Government.

I shall naturally keep you advised of any further developments, and meanwhile I understand that there is a possibility that Mr. Bevan may see you on his way down here in the near future, when, no doubt, you will both discuss the matter.

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cc Mr. T. R. A. Bevan

Sincerely yours
