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Dear Dr. Tobias:

I appreciated the chance to have lunch with you and your staff last Tuesday. I have been in touch with our Project Officer in Houston, but won't have final recommendations from him for another two days. Obviously such a late decision would make it very difficult to include calcium turnover and lean body mass studies without altering our timetable.

In my opinion, at least one more bed rest study should be done to obtain a wider range of physiologic data. Exercise regimens and whole body counting could be very valuable aspects of such a study, and I will convey this impression to the people at NASA.

Thank you for your interest.

Very truly yours,

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