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Dear Doctor Richardson:

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Nutrition as well as the representatives of the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, have strongly recommended to The Surgeon General of the Army that he expand his present efforts in attempting to elucidate the mechanism responsible for the hemorrhagic syndrome reported by the University of Illinois investigators when irradiated beef was fed male rats.

It is the belief of the professional staff of this office that you and your colleagues might contribute to the solution of the problem referred to above and it is our hope that you would be agreeable to the suggestion to consider this problem and advise us as to what you would care to undertake in the way of an investigation whose objective would be the determination of the mechanism responsible for the hemorrhagic diathesis in male rats fed irradiated beef.

Inasmuch as you are well aware of the difficulties this office has had regarding funding programs, I am quite certain you realize our limitations in providing extra funds for the suggested study as mentioned above. If you are agreeable to this suggestion, I would appreciate it if you would provide me with an outline of procedures as soon as possible. I would further suggest that your investigation be an exploratory one and within the limitations of funds presently made available to you or, if such is not possible, with the minimum amount of additional funds.

Sincerely,

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