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Lt. Col. John J. Kovaric
U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command
Office of the Surgeon General
Washington, D.C.

Dear Colonel Kovaric:

I just returned from a long trip and I found a copy of your correspondence with Doctor Ham, concerning flashblindness. I just completed a pilot study on drug effects on flashblindness using ERG techniques on Chinchilla Rabbits.

Since the results are difficult to extrapolate to human flashblindness, on the other hand however, seem to indicate that there is some effect. We will now proceed with more refined techniques to carry out some examinations on human volunteers.

I will most likely be in Washington on Monday or Tuesday December 6th or 7th, and in case you are interested I could discuss with you our pilot study results, or even give you our first rough manuscript of the experimental results.

So if you are interested please leave a message with my office before the weekend.

Sincerely,

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