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Dear Pat,

I enclose an outline agenda for the Biological Conference in Southampton on 9-11th April, 1984.

To make the discussions effective, we have divided the conference into sessions. In essence, we have three elements to cover:

a) Project RIO

The Chairman's Conference in Rio charged all of us with making progress in this area. Consequently, there is a whole day devoted to this topic.

b) Biological activity of nicotine

I excluded this topic from the "Nicotine Conference" in June on the grounds that not all the delegates would have a 'biological background' and extended discussion would tend to divert attention from the main theme of that conference.

In view of the central importance of nicotine, a number of my overseas friends asked for it to be included in the Biological Conference.

c) Quo vadis?

The main reason for an annual Biological Conference is to get an up-date on the perception of the "biologists" in the BAT Group on the future needs. The back-drop is evolving continuously and pressure points change. We have very limited resources within the EAF Group and how should these be deployed. Southampton can lead the discussion, but it is the area where I expect an input from all delegates.

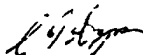
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What I am seeking from you now is:

- i) Confirmation of the delegation from Canada.
- ii) General comments on the proposed format of the Conference.
- iii) Views on the topics proposed, i.e. an indication of those you regard as of major importance.
- iv) An indication of the topics on which Canada would wish to make specific presentations.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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