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Dear Pat:

Further to your letter of October 6th, 1983 concerning the CAC Meeting at Friedrichsruhe, and our subsequent discussions, I believe most of the points raised by you were covered in my letter of October 19th.

I did want to respond to certain specific questions you asked, however, which were not dealt with in my communication.

I think the number of people attending was fine and, as I indicated in my letter, the style of the meeting under your chairmanship certainly increased the amount of individual participation.

Obviously the content of the agenda would dictate whether the conference should be lengthened or shortened. My own inclination would be to retain the four and a half days, but give very serious thought relative to the number and merit of subjects to be addressed. The intent, of course, would be to avoid cutting short discussion on major issues affecting the group, in order to 'get through the agenda'. I am not implying that previous agendas have necessarily covered areas of minor importance, but rather that we should not include or introduce additional subjects without careful consideration.

Frequency of the meetings would also be somewhat determined by the number of major events occurring in any given period. I feel that an annual conference is not necessary, and rather like the idea of ad hoc meetings, the timing of which would be determined by the Chairman.

I reiterate that CAC VIII was, in my view, a fruitful conference, and a significant improvement over previous gatherings.

With Kind Regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Paré

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