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Dear Dr. Marliss:

PROPOSED RESEARCH PROJECT

Further to your letter of December 1, 1970, and our subsequent telephone conversation, this is to let you know that your proposed research project was placed before the members of the Ad Hoc Committee for their consideration. As you will see from our letterhead the name of the Committee has now been changed to the Canadian Tobacco Manufacturers Council.

It would appear that your project is much more directed towards a fundamental investigation of the nature of the cancer process than, from the Industry's point of view, the more specific question of Smoking and Lung Cancer. For this reason the view was expressed that this type of project should be supported by the National Cancer Institute of Canada, and I would certainly suggest that you submit your application to them.

Although the Industry is quite prepared to support research projects in the respiratory and cardiovascular fields, it is not only obviously desirable but imperative that we concentrate on projects of more direct relevance to the Smoking and Health problem.

I should like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to study your project. I must add that your presentation was considered unusually thorough and thoughtful.

Sincerely,

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