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Dear Richard,

As Bob Gibb is on holiday until the end of the week I am replying to your letter of July 28 in which you enquired about the possibilities of visiting Montreal. We would indeed be very pleased to receive you so that you can update yourself on the work in progress in Montreal and also inform us of the work in England.

I have delayed replying to your letter until we had made contact with both Jim Hogg and Peter Witschi in order to ascertain if they are also going to be available during the proposed period of your visit. Both have been away on holiday until this week. Mino contacted Jim Hogg first and he will be in town the week of the 15th. but because he has teaching responsibilities on some days, he would prefer to have you visit on the 15th. or 16th.

Mino then contacted Peter Witschi, who replied that he would like to spend a whole day with you but that he will be out of town that week, except for the 19th. He will be attending a conference in Cincinnati, Ohio on Target Organ Toxicity: Lung, and has recommended that both Joy and Mino should also attend this conference. He has also raised the question that perhaps you would be interested in going to the conference. I am enclosing a copy of the tentative program and I understand there would be no difficulty in your attending, even if it were necessary to make arrangements at the last minute. Further information on the conference, should you wish to have it, can be obtained by writing to Dr. Robert Tardiff, whose address is given on the program.

Should you decide to go to Cincinnati, it would seem logical to come to Montreal following that conference. If on the other hand, you do not attend it, then it may be more profitable if you were to come to Montreal during the first week of September prior to the Tobacco Working Group meeting in Bethesda, as I think we would like to follow Peter's recommendations and have Mino and Joy attend the conference. If, however, the week of the 15th. is the only time which you have to visit us in Montreal, then we would ask them to not go to the conference. Both Peter and Jim Hogg will be available from September 2 through September 5 (Sept. 1st. is a holiday here).

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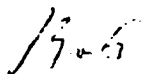
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Although Bob Gibb is on holiday, I was talking with him on the telephone Monday and mentioned your proposed visit. He said that if you felt it appropriate, it might be possible to arrange a meeting with Drs. Colburn and Forbes and perhaps also Dr. Basrur at the University of Guelph who is heading up a new program on smoking and health which is sponsored financially by the Department of National Health & Welfare. The objective of her program, which started only a few months ago, is to carry out biological evaluations, including inhalation techniques, on the various experimental tobaccos produced by the Experimental Research Station at Delhi, the overall objective being to develop a less hazardous tobacco. We will leave to you the decision as to whether or not you wish to meet with these people, as it will probably depend, at least to some extent, on the information which you feel you might divulge concerning your progress on biological testing procedures in GR & DC. Should you feel that such a meeting would be beneficial to both yourself and to Colburn, Forbes and Basrur, we would certainly be willing to try to set it up.

I shall be leaving on vacation this weekend, but Bob Gibb will be back in the office on Monday so that your reply can be directed to him.

I hope that this has not created too much confusion and we will look forward to learning your decisions in the near future.

Yours truly,



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