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TO: Antonio M. Gotto, M.D., Ph.D., Chairman

Department of Medicine

FROM: Armin D. Weinberg, Ph.D.

DATE: October 29, 1992

SUBJECT: Status of Chernobyl Project Related Activities

In follow-up to our conversation yesterday, the following highlights the status of activities related to the "Chernobyl/Bryansk Project":

DOE Proposal. Our proposal is undergoing review by DOE program staff and a cadre of external scientists. We anticipate hearing from DOE before Thanksgiving. For your convenience, attached is a budget summary (tab 1), project organization chart (tab 2), and a chart listing the proposed research projects for all research sites (tab 3). As you know, the complete proposal is in your office.

<u>U.S. AID Supported TMH/Bryansk Hospital Alliance</u>. Also attached are information about this program and the TMH letter proposal (tabs 4-6). Note 4 of the budget explains that BCM Department of Medicine will provide housing, etc. for the visiting Bryansk hospital faculty and staff. I have had extensive discussions with AID representatives regarding the qualifications for candidate Bryansk hospitals and will discuss options with Professor Vorobiev and other appropriate Russian officials.

Texas Hadassah Medical Research Foundation Reception. As you know, the party is scheduled on December 9 at 8:00 pm. Admiral Zumwalt will be joining us. Billy Goldberg and Irving Kaplan are co-chairing the event. Billy is working with Mrs. Lanier and is planning to hold the event at the Mayor's mansion. The guest list will include foundation and corporate heads (Jack Blanton, George Mitchell, Charles Hurwitz, etc.) Please let me know if you have any suggestions or comments in this regard.

I will be returning from the Russian Federation via the Ukraine in time for Ray Kaufman's tribute dinner Thursday, November 12 and will give you a full briefing about my trip at your earliest convenience. In the meantime, best wishes for a very successful journey to Turkey.

Attachments - 7

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