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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Toxicology Meetings

1. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, March 4-6, the Society of Toxicology held their annual meetings at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C. During this meeting I had the opportunity to meet with several toxicologists in private and commercial laboratories and to discuss their presentations and current activities.

2. More importantly, I met with Drs. _____ and _____

_____ concerning _____ participation in project _____ and _____ agreed to submit 1- and 2-gram samples of any compounds selected by us as appropriate candidates for the project. It should be emphasized that the compounds offered have not been released to any other screening project such as exists at Edgewood and elsewhere. In view of the fact that _____ is known to possess a large number of compounds with interesting CNS effects, I consider this to be an important new source of compounds.

3. I also met with Dr. _____ formerly at _____

_____ and now Chief of Toxicology at _____ As you know _____ developed _____ Right now _____ is heavily engaged in the systematic development of compounds with CNS effects. _____ told me that _____ currently has a compound (he wouldn't characterize it chemically, but did say it wasn't a tranquilizer) that rapidly abolishes hostility in such animals as fighting mice. He added that a number of other compounds, appropriate to our project, exist at _____ but Dr. _____ Chief of Pharmacology, must be briefed and agree to enter the program. Accordingly, I have Dr. _____ in for clearance and _____ is arranging a meeting between us at the Federation Meetings in Atlantic City next month.