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We have recently had an extended discussion with Dr. Domingo Aviado regarding his future research plans. Dr. Aviado was supported until January 1 of this year by the Council for Tobacco Research--U.S.A. but has been advised that his latest application for funds was not approved.

The amount of space available to Dr. Aviado at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School has more than doubled during the past few months. As a result of this, Dr. Aviado is seeking expanded support from a number of government agencies and would also appreciate continued tobacco industry support. Agencies that Dr. Aviado presently receives support from, or anticipates receiving support from, include the Food and Drug Administration, Consumer Product Safety Commission, National Institute of Drug Abuse and Environmental Protection Agency.

Dr. Aviado proposes to work in a number of areas related to smoking and health including (1) research on possible effects of carbon monoxide, nicotine and other constituents of smoke on the heart and (2) experimental research on emphysema. Copies of his proposal, budget, curriculum vitae and list of publications are enclosed.

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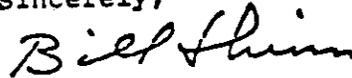
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Dr. Aviado's present request is for \$85,000 for the period July 1, 1977, to June 30, 1978. He does not yet know the amounts he will receive from the various government agencies but anticipates requesting additional support from the tobacco industry to commence after June, 1978. He is not, however, requesting other than the \$85,000 at this time.

I have discussed this matter with Dr. William Gardner and he favors support of the type Dr. Aviado now seeks.

Dr. Aviado wants to keep his present group intact and does need an answer prior to June 1. We recommend funding and would appreciate your early response to this inquiry.

Sincerely,



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