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Senator Marlow Cook sent a letter on February 9 inviting Dr. Yerushalmy to react to criticisms of his work contained in the annual Surgeon General's reports. We have now received a copy of Dr. Yerushalmy's reply and I think you will be extremely interested in his observations. I particularly refer you to the comments commencing with the last paragraph on page 4.

While you may have already received it from some other source, I also enclose a copy of a February 1 article from Internal Medicine News on the AAAS program held in Philadelphia during December of last year.

The work which Dr. Theodor Sterling has been doing in connection with air pollution became unusually valuable following the President's transmission on January 31 of an air pollution message to Congress, which you have received, that attempted to implicate cigarette smoking in 95% of lung cancer and 90% of chronic obstructive lung disease.

Dr. Sterling has consulted with us in connection with this message and has also, at Jack Mills request, attended meetings in Washington. We would like for him to have every opportunity to continue his work in this area and he has recently submitted a request to us to help fund a

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panel on "Effects of Pollutants on Human Health." This panel will meet in connection with an International Meeting of the Society of Engineering Science in Tel Aviv, Israel, during June. A copy of the program is enclosed.

Dr. Sterling is requesting a grant to the ALEPH Foundation, which will administer the funds. Copies of both the letter from Dr. Sterling requesting support and the ALEPH Foundation's letter to Dr. Sterling are also enclosed.

We recommend a grant of \$5,000 as a special project (non-CTR) and would appreciate your letting us know your views by March 10.

I have just received, and also enclose, a copy of Dr. Sterling's latest published article, "The Incidence of Lung Cancer in the U. S. Since 1955 in Relation to the Etiology of the Disease."

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