December 18, 1941

The Surgeon General  
United States Army  
Washington, D. C.  

Attention: Col. J. S. Simmons  

Dear Sir:

I have a copy of Dr. Sabin's letter of December 15 to Colonel Simmons relative to the probability that various members of the Commissions may want to enter into active service in the Medical Corps. This prompts me to inquire whether if any of our key men do apply for commissions they may be kept available for field studies by attachment to the Surgeon General's Office rather than Corps Area Headquarters. This seems to me a matter of some importance because I should hate to have our plans disrupted by having any considerable number of the Commission members made unavailable.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

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cc: Dr. Sabin  

Francis G. Blake, M.D.  
President