Dear Albert:

While in Morocco, the vaccine strains arrived in my laboratory in excellent shape. Thank you so much for sending them. The container will be returned to you by air.

As I expected more or less, there is some difficulty in finding private physicians to cooperate in a vaccination programme with a vaccine which is not yet officially recommended. Yet, I need these people, because nothing of this kind can be done in our country without private physicians. I am, however, pretty sure that I will get a number of young children, but it may take some time.

In Morocco, I attended a WHO conference on the control of infectious diseases through vaccination programmes. I have learned from this and from preceding conferences that there is a gradually increasing interest in the use of live poliovirus vaccine and that the objections against its use are gradually diminishing. As I learned from Dr. Payne, Dorothee Horstmann's report from the USSR would be very encouraging. Unfortunately, there were not yet copies of this report available at the conference. I learned from the Swiss delegate, that Fanconi, who was strongly against the use of live vaccine at the European Polio conference in Madrid last year, is now using it himself. He seems, however, to use the wrong strains (Lederle).

With kind personal regards.

Yours sincerely,

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