Dear Albert,

You probably know Brazil better than I do so you can well understand that at this time of year and for a couple of weeks Brazil is on permanent holiday.

I am rather surprised with the attitude of Roberto Santos. I'm going to Brasilia on the 6th of January and will be seeing R.S. personally. I suspect that this is a problem of the Bureaucracy which in some cases is much stronger than the Ministers and even of the President himself.

However, Roberto Santos must understand that he is dealing with me and that he will have to do what he said he would do. Moreover, this is a matter not only of Sabin but also of respect for Sabin.

With warm good wishes,

Sincerely,