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Dear Dr. Sabin,

excuse my being late in giving you my news. I hoped I could give you a definitive information about Dr. Grosso's grant, but I have received a letter, a copy of which you will find here enclosed, which informs that only at April's end or at beginning of May we shall be able to have conclusive news.

As you can see, an invitation-letter signed by you is also requested and it must also precise the three months' period in which you will be able to receive Dr. Grosso, period which may go from June 1960 to April 1961. I am sorry for all these unexpected inconveniences after all what was told us by the USIS offices in Milan, which also to day have repeated that notwithstanding the bureaucratic difficulties, the thing will be successful.

Unfortunately, my work on vaccination with your vaccine does not go on with the due quickness. In fact, in spite of the favourable expectations, the Italian Public Health Service has recently raised remarkable difficulties which do not allow a profitable activity. I confess that I have had some troubles in relation with this behaviour of that Service. I think you can imagine its causes! I am informed that the work at the Istituto Sclavo goes on regularly. We also are doing something while awaiting more favourable times!

By the press I have been informed about the progress of the studies and applications of the vaccine in the various Countries. However, you will oblige me so much if you will inform me on this subject.

I reserve to myself of giving you further information and meanwhile I thank you and am with kindest regards

Yours sincerely
A. Giovanardi