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Mr. John Crewdson
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Dear Mr. Crewdson:

Dr. Robert Gallo has asked me to write you in regard to your inquiries of him and others. It is our understanding that for almost two years you have been preparing to write extensively concerning Dr. Gallo and his involvement in the discovery of the AIDS virus as well as other aspects of his career. You have interviewed a number of Dr. Gallo's peers in other countries as well as in the United States. You have requested, have received and are still receiving a substantial volume of documents from United States government files. Several weeks ago you participated in a telephone conversation with Dr. Gallo. Following this conversation, your letter of October 20, 1988 requested several specific categories of information. Most recently, in your telephone conversation with Ms. Kate Rudden at Cancer Communication of NIH, you requested the opportunity for another interview with Dr. Gallo.

Since Dr. Gallo has played a critical role in developing scientific and public awareness of the AIDS virus, he is anxious to cooperate with individuals similarly dedicated to the accurate documentation of the events which have occurred and the roles which have been played by those involved during this important chapter of scientific and medical history.

Dr. Gallo possesses a reliable understanding of the salient scientific factors surrounding identification and characterization of what has proven to be the AIDS virus. However, he suggests that there are others who are prominent in

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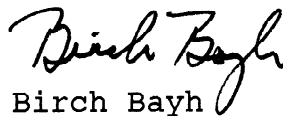
the field whose opinions would be valuable in compiling a comprehensive assessment. I have taken the liberty of attaching a list of such individuals for your consideration. You may have talked to some or all of these individuals. Nevertheless, collectively they possess a broad perspective of the AIDS virus history, and in view of your past inquiries, Dr. Gallo feels that their additional perspective is important.

As you are well aware, assessing the subject matter involves the collection and comprehension of a significant volume of highly complex and technical scientific data. Thus, if you will please provide Dr. Gallo or me with a list of questions concerning your key points before the interview, wherever possible we will provide you with documentation of the various items to complement Dr. Gallo's oral responses.

It is my understanding that you have also expressed an interest in Dr. Gallo's personal activities and financial transactions. If you will provide Dr. Gallo or me with a list of questions in this regard, we believe these matters can be laid to rest satisfactorily during the interview.

In summary, Dr. Gallo is amenable to your interview request and suggests that it should be arranged expeditiously. I will call you to choose an appropriate time and place which will be convenient for both you and him. We assume that your work will not be published until after the interview has taken place.

Yours truly,


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Attachment

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