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Dear Mr. Alexander:

I very much appreciated your exceptional patience in listening to a complex story, and more so, I admire and welcome your attempt to gain a better understanding.

As we discussed, I am enclosing a few items.

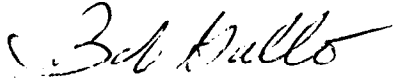
- (1) The HBO piece by Boyce Rensberger of the Washington Post.
- (2) Earlier pieces by Malcolm Gladwell:
 - (a) on my colleague Popovic (magazine section).
 - (b) on my earlier "exoneration" on the key issues.
- (3) The Appeals Panel & Judge's decision on Popovic which was just released and which I think tells a great story about the tragedy of Popovic, and which I hope Time will see interest in.
- (4) The 1987 science history agreement (Montagnier and myself).
- (5) The 1991 letter I wrote to Nature in which I supposedly admitted some kind of taking of the "French" virus.
- (6) The 1988 interview Montagnier gave to OMNI, though neglecting to clarify the fact that I had many isolates of HIV (not just the contaminant), and neglecting to point out my contributions to his 1983 Science paper in the form of providing the basic idea and the technology to grow T cells, nonetheless, maintains (by Montagnier) that I was a co-discoverer based on our demonstrating HIV was (is) the cause of AIDS.
- (7) My book "Virus Hunting".

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I hope you have time to look these over, especially #1 and #2. I will also send you a letter signed by Mr. Joseph Onek, my attorney, which I hope Time will publish.

Finally, in a few days I know there will be a major article which will be further revealing of the unfair harm done to us which I will send you. Also, we will have information about where things are going. Consequently, I will try to reach Dick Thompson and Christine, or you in a few days.

Sincerely yours,



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Enclosures

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