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Dr. Artemis P. Simopoulos Immediate Office of the Director National Institutes of Health Building 31, Room 4B59 Bethesda, MD., 20205

Dear Dr. Simopoulos:

It was a pleasure to meet you and hear your excellent summary of investigations and syntheses on obesity. I would indeed be pleased to play a role in your workshop on health morbidity and longevity and would be grateful for previous workshops and current statements on ideal weight.

It would be awfully helpful if you could write down the history of the blood pressure studies as you gave it, or do it jointly with Ed Lew. I'm sure you can imagine how useful it would be to the whole community. It would also be useful to have the basis for your discussions of BMI for men, women and children.

Frank Press' reply to the congressmen about the diet-cancer statement would be useful to me as I may have to reply to the same congressman (we have an educational program going on in Hagedorn's district.) Any time your summary statement in JAMA is available, that would, of course, also be helpful.

Please give my best regards at home. Allen and I did have some good times together and I hope it can happen again.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, M.D. Professor and Director

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