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Dear Henry,

before leaving Minneapolis I would like to thank you and your collaborators for the warm hospitality and help and for the many informations an advices I could get in view of my future research plans.

It has been a pleasure to be here again although so shortly and I hope to find other occasions for a longer stay.

I shall go on with the analysis of the 15 year data of the Seven Countries, distributiong data and manuscripts to you, Dr Keys and other collaborators, hoping to get advice and approval.

Moreover I shall try to help Daan Kromhout to place his application to the European Community Medical Research Council where funds could be obtained since the program concerns three ECC countries (The Netherlands, Italy and Greece). This could also make it possible to collect the 20 year death data from all cohorts.

As we agreed, the amount of available information is quite large and some kind of systematic approach should be implemented.

In principle, apart from what I will be able to do in Rome, it might be wise to consider a longer period here in Minnesota, may be together with one of my computer and statistical men (Dr Farchi for example), after having agreed that Rosemarie Hilk and a Minnesota computer and statistical man (for example 0. Gomez, with the advice of David Jacobs) could work with us some half of their time for a couple of months, having at the same time some access to the computer. Talking with Dean Surbey we have envisaged such a possible program for the summer of 1983, when I might have funds enough to cover all our expenses.

During these days I have had also contacts with people involved in the 3MP since we are starting the Italian section of the WHO Monica project which has many similarities with that program. This will be another good reason for maintaining links with Minnesota.

I will be in touch with you in due time. Thanks again and all the best.

Yours sincerely

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