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Dear Dr. Schaefer;

Thank you very much for your letter of January 26th and the reprints which awaited my return three days ago from three months stay at our home in Italy -- "Minnelea," 84060 Pioppi (SA). Incidentally, Dr. Stamler has built a villa 200 meters from ours in Pioppi and we were together from early December until mid-January.

Of course I am happy with your documentation of the Eskimo story. Pehaps you know of my reference to the Eskimo in JAMA volume 124, 1912—1919, August 1957. Alas! I have seen the nonsense about the Eskimo repeated many times during the intervening years. I mentioned the Eskimo story in my review, "Coronary Heart Disease — The Global Picture," 1975, ATHEROSCLEROSIS 22: 149-192. Essentially the same major review was published in Italian in Volume II of Cardiologia D'Oggi (C.G. Ediziono Medico Scientifiche, Torino) and an up-dated version is now in press in a new edition of Cardiologia D'Oggi.

I am interested to learn that you now have in press a monograph on the dietary habits of native populations of the Northwest Territories. It would be useful if, eventually, we could have a copy at Minnelea where Dr. Stamler, Dr. Martti J. Karvonen (who has moved from Finland to live next door) and I are assembling a working library on diet, epidemiology, etc.

I shall return to our Italian home early in May to stay until midsummer and Dr. Stamler will be at his home there for most of June until late August.

With good wishes,

Ancel Keys

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