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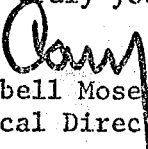
I just received the suggestions enclosed with your letter of December 22 and am incorporating them into the draft of the diet statement. This will now be copy-edited, references corrected, etc.

I understand your concern that the Council on Epidemiology was not officially consulted earlier in the course of the development of this draft. However, it has been my experience with the Heart Association that a Heart Association public statement developed by a Committee always resembles a giraffe and that before being released requires the winnowing, polishing, cutting, and correcting that we are doing. Making the original Committee all inclusive hasn't permitted a completely satisfactory statement to be developed any faster. Be certain you will get to see the revision as it comes along.

~~I just read Al Feinstein's article in the current CLINICAL RESEARCH. Has he ever been an active and useful member of the Council on Epidemiology? Should we make some overtures to get him more actively involved?~~

Again, with best personal regards and sincere thanks for your understanding of the "voluntary" process.

Very truly yours,


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