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Dear Kalevi:

You mentioned you were interested in Aaron Folsom's computations of our estimate of risk factor lowering effects. We have gone on to model these issues in more detail, but I am not happy with the models. I have summarized the problems with models in the enclosed.

I am very grateful for your telephone call and your 6 September letter when I was under the stress of Jerry's objection to the Workshop on low cholesterol levels. He has dropped the issue and we are now free to proceed. I am sorry now that I didn't ask for a little more money for it since 8,000 Swiss francs is not a lot of money. It's conceivable that we could have deliberations at the time of the June meeting in Washington and then schedule a later meeting in a central place in the fall next year. I agree with you in the desirability of having Richard Peto available.

I am most grateful for your efforts in Rome and I understand from Nanette Wenger that deliberations with the Task Force seem to have gone very well. For some reason, I don't seem to have a copy of the letter from Barry Lewis that you indicated you would send in that September 6 letter and so I didn't react to it. I hope he's not going "on his own" to arrange a conference on CHD prevention without involving us closely.

I am sorry I haven't responded to your request for the rules and regulations. I will do my best to find them and enclose them in this letter.

Cordially,

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Professor and Director

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Enclosure