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Dear Bud:

1. Would you like to or be able to be a speaker or participant in an American Public Health Association dinner or press conference, etc, in DC Oct 31-Nov 3. I would plan it to be with the Environmental Defense Fund, especially Dr. David Rall, former NIEHS director, now a member of Physicians for Social Responsibility with a new organization devoted to dioxins and other chemicals and correct risk characterizations. I am chairman of the Vietnam Caucus of APHA and will try very hard to get a slot if you are available. I think the news "hook" should be veterans groups -the Council- combining forces to work with environmental groups on the dioxin issue. Perhaps both can call for Vietnam based US university research-and we can try to get that to be a resolution of the APHA.

2. Congressman Maurice Hinchey's office was interested in our proposals and work. They felt they knew your views-maybe a problem in that we need to update and communicate again, so they will be newsworthy-and the felt the Senate Veterans' Committee and Lane Evans office were the routes to go. They also seemed to hint they might be able to come up with a small-several hundred dollar targetted funding for me to do veteran related work, soon, and also told me they could get no funding until after February-I am confused. Perhaps Sen. Moynihan can clarify this.

3. I should like to move forward, if I have your OK and blessings, to establish either the Zumwalt (Elmo, Jr, Elmo III or Zumwalt Family) CHAIR or CENTER in Public Health and Environmental Medicine at my school, SUNY. As little as \$500,000 would provide minimum funding for a Center, but 1-3 million dollars is usual for a chair or center. If I have your go ahead for this project to study health issues of benefit to veterans, beginning with Agent Orange-dioxin and Vietnam service, and perhaps considering also the Gulf War, I will begin fund raising, through veterans groups.

I have been told you (and I to a lesser extent) have been shown on TV but on other than CNN channels by friends of mine in the USA.

Best wishes to all.

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