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November 26, 1975

Dear Yuriy:

During the June mid-year review and again during the October 28-31, 1975, Joint Committee meeting, Mr. Train expressed his concern over the question of the damaging effects of fluorocarbon emissions on stratospheric ozone and the possible consequent effects of ozone depletion on the global environment. As you will see from page 3 of the November 10, 1975, issue of World Environmental Report which I recently sent you, Mr. Train has in recent months warned several times in public that ozone depletion may be the first truly global environmental problem affecting each person and ecosystem on this planet.

I recall that during our mid-year review Academician Izrael, who had recently returned from a WMO meeting in Geneva, remarked that stratospheric problems such as possible ozone depletion might develop into one of the major issues of our epoch. (I understand that a draft report entitled "Anthropogenic Modification of Ozone Layer and Possible Geophysical Consequences" is being prepared by a group of WMO experts led by Jans Dutsch of Switzerland which will soon meet again in Toronto, Canada, to discuss a final version.)

In the light of Academician Izrael's preeminent position in WMO, his expressed interest in this problem, his responsibility as Chief of the Main Administration of Hydromet, and his positive leadership as the Soviet chairman of our Environmental Agreement, I am taking the liberty of sending you for his examination a November 12, 1975 report entitled Fluorocarbons: An Assessment of Worldwide Production, Use and Environmental Issues,

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prepared by the USA and Canada for the Environmental Committee of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). This is not yet a formal OECD document. However, I would not be surprised if the OECD Environment Committee releases it in the near future, for it strikes me as a well drafted and very thoughtful assessment of an issue which is both highly complex and at the same time potentially of vital urgency.

In this latter connection, I can inform you that Mr. Train is currently considering the possibility of inviting a few key leaders and specialists from selected countries (e.g., the USSR, the FRG, some other European countries, as well as Japan) to meet informally sometime in mid-1976 to discuss the anthropogenic sources (especially fluorocarbon emissions) of ozone depletion, the possible effects of such depletion, and most importantly, the courses of action which might be taken over the short term and long term to deal with these issues. Since Academician Izrael would be a logical invitee from the USSR, I would therefore request that you bring this document to his immediate attention. We would, of course, welcome any comments or suggestions he might have on the assessment.

Finally, I would welcome your thoughts on what could be done to step up our efforts to deal with these issues under our Environmental Agreement. I note that in accordance with the October 31 Joint Committee Memorandum a meeting of specialists of Working Group I-1 and Working Group VIII-1 will be held in the USA during the second quarter of 1976 to consider the problem and to define the requirements for satellite and rocket observation of minor constituents in the upper atmosphere. In your view, is there anything both sides can do before then to facilitate cooperative work? For instance, is there any report of recent Soviet efforts or planning in this field which would be useful to Dr. L. Machta (US Project Leader of Project VIII-1.2) and other US

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experts in preparing for the meeting? Your comments would be most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

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Dear Egon:

Pursuant to our November 24 telephone conversation, I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Yuriy Kazakov concerning Mr. Train's desire to hold a meeting of experts from several countries including the USSR to discuss the causes and effects of ozone depletion and possible corrective action.

During our talk you made an excellent point: that in addition to Izrael, who directs a monitoring-analysis effort, we should invite a Soviet official from the Ministry of Health who wields regulatory power. I would therefore appreciate your giving personal attention to identifying for me the best candidate for a future invitation and suggesting how we would best go about extending the invitation, e.g., through the good offices of Ambassador Stoessel, through Izrael in his capacity as Soviet Co-Chairman of the Environmental Agreement, or directly from Train to the invitee.

Understandably, at this stage there are many imponderables, e.g., when to have the meeting (partially dependent on the findings and timing of a National Academy of Science report currently underway), whom to invite, under what auspices (perhaps under a series of bilateral agreements in which Mr. Train plays a leading role), and what specific issues on which to focus. Nevertheless, we think it's useful to alert Izrael now to the likelihood of a meeting and to use the US-Canadian assessment as a vehicle to focus Soviet attention on the most critical issues.

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I look forward to hearing from you on this.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM TO AREA COORDINATORS, WORKING GROUP CHAIRMEN, AND PROJECT
LEADERS

Subject: Serialization for Cable Traffic

The volume of cable traffic under the Environmental Agreement (as well as others) has reached the level where in order to handle, file, retrieve, and act upon its contents effectively the Office of Scientific and Technological Affairs of our Embassy in Moscow uses a computer. This, in turn, requires that we serialize our Agreement with arabic numbers and that we use this serialization in our cable traffic.

ACTION REQUESTED

In your outgoing cables continue to list on the SUBJECT line: US-USSR Environmental Agreement, the Working Group (or Project) with the existing numbering and title of the Working Group or Project. Then add the computer serial number for your Working Group or Project as listed below. You will find that the last two arabic numbers of this serial number for Working Groups correspond exactly to the two numbers (one Roman numeral plus one arabic number) of your Working Group and the last three (or four) numbers correspond to the last three numbers of your Project. The first two numbers (02.) of the serial designate the Environmental Agreement.

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In addition, I have added extra categories for the Joint Committee, the Co-Chairmen, the Secretariats, Education, Assessment, Special Events, Trade, and Financing.

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Your cooperation in adding the appropriate serial number will greatly assist the Embassy and therefore all of us.



William A. Brown

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