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World Wide association of Cancer Institutes

TO: World Wide Association of Cancer Institutes Committee

FROM: Robert C. Hickey, M.D., Chairman

SUBJECT. MEMORANDUM I. World Wide Association of Cancer Institutes

- On Tuesday, November 26, 1968 at Linden Hill Motel, Bethesda, Maryland, it was proposed by Dr. R. Lee Clark that some coordination of cencer institutes, world wide, should be undertaken. Much discussion followed.
- In due time, and unwaveringly, a committee was appointed by Dr. Timothy Talbot, President.

Robert C. Hickey, M.D., Chairman David Wood, M.D. Timothy Talbot, M.D. Frank Horsfall, M.D. - ex officio R. Lee Clark, M.D. - ex officio

3. From this discussion and my brief subsequent investigation-------it appeared that it would be most appropriate to look into the activities in this sphere of the Invernational Union Against Cancer. Dr. Michael Shimkin was knowledgeable in this area; was going to France shortly, and was to seek more information with respect to the International Union Against Cancer, and the International Agency for Research on Cancer in Lyons, France, headed by Dr. John Higginson.

Dr. Mirray Copeland, Chairman for the United States International Union Against Cancer, Division of Medicine, National Academy of Science, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. is to be contacted proof to the next meeting of that group. It would be my opinion (and his) that a representative should be irvited to the next meeting of the American Association for Cancer Institute Directors at Columbia, Missouri to focus on incernational relations.

Dr. M. Taylor, Secretary General of the International Union Against Cancer, National Cancer Institute, 2500 Acelaide Street, East, Toronto 1, Ontario, Canada should logically be invited to speak to the group.

4. Doctor Endicott explained that under (or in association with) the WEO there is another organization, funded in part by the United States (from my inquiries, the United States, \$300,000 of a total budget of \$1.3 million), and should be invited.

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President de Gaulle, in May 1965, indicated the appropriateness of a common defense against cancer and helped establish the <u>International Agancy for Research on Cancer</u> in Lyons, France under the directorality of Dr. Tohn Higginson, formerly of the University of Kanasa. Among those known by me to be participating are Germany, France: Italy: Inrael; Australia; Russia; United States: Great Britain, and one other. Doctor Higginson is not intimately involved with the International Union Against Cancer.

The agency in Lyons, France is directing its attention particularly to the geographic study of cancer, and in semi-temporary quarters is gesting underway. President de Gaulle had indicated a possibility of building a large facility to house the operation.

5. As a modus operandi, it would seem appropriate that the Secretary General of the International Union Against Cancer (Doctor Taylor) be invited to meet the group at Columbia, Missouri, May 18 and 19, 1969. Doctor Tissieres (\*spelling), Geneva, Switzerland was suggested as a possible invitee also, or an alternate.

The request for a representative should be put to Dostor Copeland who, with his committee of Mr. Wilcox; Doctor Heidelberg; Doctor Bryant; Doctor Stock, and Doctor Frei would in turn delegate Doctor Taylor.

Dr. John Higginson could be invited, and avertures are to be made by Dr. Mike Shimkin. He does have a travel budget.

6. In considering organizational matters, the International Union Against Cancer has individual membership. The scope of membership is not clear to me. The International Agency for Research on Cancer has countries as its membership. The question is, how would the cancer institutes align themselves?

As one working hypothesis, it would appear that this could be an action group; a completion underneath the International Union Against Omeer, and relate by and with communication to Doctor Higginson's organization.

As a further thought, there should be geographical areas identified, and the responsibilities for the invitees to the ultimate organization should rest with the local group, i.e., suggest the North American (not the United States only); Russian; South American; Asian; Western European; Southeast Asian-Australia, New Zealand.

One should guard against the proposition that it be just another organization in need of funding and without a mission. There are some things that should not be, i.e., another International College of Surgery, and International Society of Hematology, and International Congress on Corneal and Scieral Contact Lenses, and an international, etc., etc. It should not constitute itself as an international pressure group.

8. It could be an agency for international exchange on cancer, on an institutional, organizational basis, but not for the minutes of technical and scientific detail. It could establish a clearinghouse for visiting professorships, visiting scholars. It should probably not meet note often than every four years, and the Tenth International Cancer Compass would be timely. It probably should have a not too frequent publication, but must have an arenue of expression.

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### Other Discussions:

 Professor Georges Mathé, Institut de Cameerologie et d'Immunogemetique, Hopital Paul-Brousse, 14 Avenue Paul-Vaillant-Couturier, Villejuif, Paris, France.

His organization discussed. He is a hematologist; heads a unit with 50 beds; has great interest in transplantation. Well pleased by idea, wished to follow further.

 William E. Poel, Ph.D., Visiting Professor, Department of Virology, W. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, 1968-1969. Public Health, University of Pittaburgh.

Has had a year in Israel, Eleanor Roosevelt International Cancer Research Fellowship at the Weizmann Institute, Rehovoth, Israel-1903 in carcinogenesis. Believed a good idea.

R. LEE CLARK, M. D.

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81w-R December 6, 1968 Harold P. Rusch, M.D. Director, McArdle Laboratory for Cancer Research Medical Center University of Wisconsin Madison, Wisconsin 53706 Dear Harold: Your suggestion is an excellent one and I will pass it on to Dr. R. C. Hickey who is the chairman of the committee appointed by Timothy Talbot to undertake the coordination of the world's cancer institutes. Since you are interested in this perhaps Bob would like to solicit your aid in some of the planning for the meeting and the possibility of organizing something in the way of printed material for the future. I am personally convinced that this would be a far better opportunity than any other device employed today to bring the cancer institutes into focus with each other. Sincerely yours, R. Lee Clark, M.D. Director and Surgeon-in-Chief RLC:br cc: Dr. R. C. Hickey

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## MCARDLE LABORATORY FOR CANCER RESEARCH

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November 29, 1968

Dr. R. Lee Clark M.D. Anderson Hospital & Tumor Institute Houston, Texas

Dear Lee:

At the recent meeting of ACID you suggested a possible meeting of the Directors of cancer centers throughout the world. This suggestion has read merit since each of us would like to have more information about the various cancer centers.

As an introduction to such meeting, it would be helpful if each institute supplied a one or two page brief description of their place. For example, we could very easily describe our laboratory using both sides of one sheet of paper. Such information would describe the research interests and provide a list of the senior staff.

I have enclosed a copy of a bulletin that we send to prospective graduate appropriate purpose. Such description would not have anything about the details of fellowships but it could mention that fellowships were available.

Sincerely yours,

Harold P. Rusch, M.D.

Director

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OPPORTUNITIES IN

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- HAROLD P. RUSCH, Professor (Director and Chairman of Department), biochemistry of growth and differentiation in Physgrum.
- · ROSWELL K. BOUTWELL, Professor, biochemistry of carcinogenesis.
- WILLIAM F. DOVE, Associate Professor, genetic aspects of viruses and cells.
- CHARLES HEIDELBERGER, Professor, biochemistry of carcinogenesis; cancer chemotherapy.
- CHARLES B. KASPER, Assistant Professor, chemistry of proteins.
- BELIZABETH C. MILLER, Associate Professor, biochemistry of carcinogenesis.
- JAMES A. MILLER, Professor, biochemistry of carcinogenesis.
- GERALD C. MUELLER, Professor, biochemistry of hormone action; biochemistry of animal cell reproduction.
- JAMES F. PERDUE. Assistant Professor, biochemistry and ultrastructure of cell membranes.
- HENRY C. PITOT. Professor, biochemical pathology of tumors and enzymatic control
  mechanisms
- WAN R. POTTER, Professor, enzymatic control mechanisms; nucleic acid biosynthesis.
- WACLAW SZYBALSKI. Professor, biological and physicochemical properties of nucleic acids; mechanism of transcription.
- HOWARD M. TEMIN, Associate Professor, viral carcinogenesis.

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Application blanks and further information may be obtained from Dr. H. P. Rusch, Director/McArdle Laboratory/The Unive sity of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, 53706.

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