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Dear Sylvia,

By this time the rumours may have filtered through to the effect that I will be leaving WHO by the end of this current year. Such a rumour is partially correct. The real fact of the matter is that I requested, and the Director-General agreed, that I be relieved of all my present functions and responsibilities on an agreed date before the end of the year. The date agreed upon is mid-December. Between then and the end of my present contract, which is the end of July 1971, I am to take special assignments of my choosing. I have just accepted a faculty appointment for the winter term at the School of Public Health of the University of Texas at Houston, the dates being 4 January to 12 March 1971. I plan to leave Geneva immediately after the New Year.

I wished to inform you of this myself because of our many years of working together. It is rare in the experience of anyone to have an exportunity to create a new organization with new philosophies, new concepts based on one's best knowledge and experience in administration and management, and it is deeply gratifying to know that I have colleagues and friends such as you when I leave my present responsibilities. As you know, I am not only hopeful but I expect that WHO will continue to thrive as an organization and that its programme will always have the dedicated support of those of the staff who serve the Organization in the general area of the administrative and financial services.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

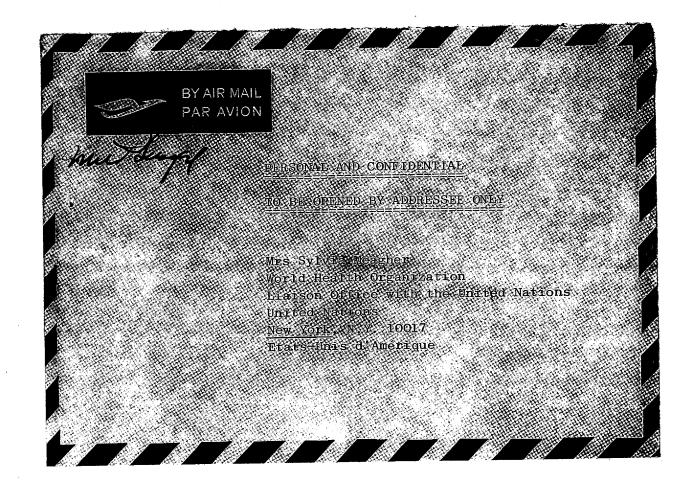
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