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Mrs. Sylvia Meagher 302 West 12th Street New York, New York 10014

Dear Sylvia:

Thank you for sending me copies of excerpts of your correspondence with Hoch, and also, a copy of Tink's letter to him. I would say that you and Tink have done a rather thorough job of eviscerating Hoch's (Alvarez') "melon experiment". Unfortunately, their asinine article will probably receive the consideration that we fear, and your criticisms will be ignored, slighted, or chalked up to continuing "critic paranoia". I wonder if we are ever destined to get the kind of break that we so badly need in order to publicly disprove the WCR's conclusions.

Incidentally, I received a letter from Weisberg, who was very upset by Hoch's article; he apparently has written and castigated Hoch, also (for whatever that is worth!).

Thanks for keeping me posted. Unfortunately, I have nothing new to report.

With kindest personal regards to you and Tink.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dr. Josiah Thompson