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Dear Hal =

By the time you receive this letter I may well be in the East Coast area. You see, a very unexpected development occurred (today) which was that my brother's wife called me in the very early morning hours (about 1:30 A.M. my time) to inform me that my brother, Roy, had passed away after having suffered a heart attack. He had, in fact, been under care in a hospital retirement home because of a near-fatal attack he had in April of this year. As of now I'm going to be in touch with various relatives to make whatever arrangements are needed (funeral, etc). I don't know, at this point in time, what those arrangements are.

I will do my best to call you from New Jersey (when, I can't say). I'm hoping that a very good friend of mine (who was also Roy's friend) can drive me around to get to whatever places I need to go to otherwise I'll have to rent a car.

I had accumulated a lot of news clippings, etc.

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I am enclosing those with this letter.

As I probably told you in the past I will be a speaker (on the "Failures of the ARRB") at the November, Dallas, 1999 conference. Also I might mention that their publication (of Lancet) definitely will print my article ("I LOST ONE LIFE") but not in the current issue. It'll be ~~in~~ in the very next one. The editor told me I had to have my work done by computer (on a "floppy disk"), because of this it delayed publication. ~~The~~ Odds are that it'll appear just about the time of the Dallas 1999 conference or immediately thereafter. Mary Fernell backed me 100% & insisted (to the editor) that they must publish it. What a wonderful person she is - there's no one like her. (The editor is also 100% behind me). If you'll recall my article deals with the absurdities, stupidities, etc of many researchers & how I dealt with them not only with respect to the charges made against me as being an "FBI informant." Maybe some will learn from it - maybe not but as you always say "establish a record" on where you stand. (I can't imagine a person like Harry Livingstone after reading my article reversing himself 180° - it just wouldn't be like real life!).

By the way, just a quick short note: I've been in touch with Doug Home (former staff member of ARRB). Doug wrote (& said I could quote him) that a Justice Dept official (Doug couldn't recall his name) was absolutely opposed to having any perjury recommendation being brought up. I asked Doug if there is any written stuff on this but it seemed unlikely. And, who else but Jeremy Gunn, would've raised the perjury issue - if, indeed, he ever did!

Well, must close now - hope to be in touch!
Best,
Hal Verb

P.S. - Home will be speaking with me at Dallas!