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Dear Bob

I have received your circular dated March 8, offering further HTLV-III isolates including RF, the Haitian one. As we have discussed on several occasions, we would be pleased to study that and other isolates with particular regard to neutralization epitopes and recognition of cellular receptors. As you know, hitherto, Mika wished to conduct further studies himself before releasing the isolates to us,

As you do not wish to ship infected cells, I wonder whether you could bring them with you when you travel to the UK in a few days' time. Could you also bring or send Flossie's analysis of the DNA from HTLV-III infected cells we sent in January? We do not know which DNAs showed distinctive proviruses.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely yours

RF 2/5/83

MN 2/5/85

Received after 25 March + before Ind Many R A Weiss