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Dear Luc,

This is just to tell you that I enjoyed our discussions very much, and I hope they lead to continued mutual cooperation and open discussions. In addition, as we have discussed in some detail we will welcome your colleague to our laboratory and we will plan a careful collaboration on the cloning of your virus. I would also like to state that I believe in fairly short order it would be reasonable to make available your cell lines if they are established and producing virus. As I indicated to you, no studies would be carried out unless they were cleared by you and in collaboration with you. I do feel, however, that once having published and having established a relationship with our laboratory where we agree to provide reagents and cell lines to you and your colleagues, that to show your good faith to members of my laboratory and to members of the Scientific Committee on AIDS at NIH, it would be most helpful to show that these lines were available to us. I do not believe that either you or we have to make these generally available. Both your laboratory and ours have shown the interest, have put our necks out first, and have shown that we can work together. I hope to hear from you regarding this.

*you virus  
Isolate  
Specimen*

Kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Gallo

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cc: Dr. Jean Claude Chermann