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Dear Dr. Nirenberg,

I am writing to you in connection with the 1968 Annual Conference of the Chemical Institute of Canada. This is to be held in Vancouver, British Columbia between June 2nd and June 5th, 1968 and I am responsible for organizing the program.

We intend to have as a prominent feature of the Conference a panel discussion on "The Technical, Economic and Political Consequences of Man's Control of His Own Evolution" with a panel composed of chemists, biochemists, economists, political scientists, clerics, etc. This arose from a suggestion of Dr. J. Ross Colvin of Biophysics at the National Research Council of Canada following your editorial in Science (August 1967) on a similar subject. We hope to have Canada-wide broadcast coverage and I feel that the event would be a very interesting and important one.

The Institute and the local committee would be very pleased if you would accept our invitation to attend the Conference and appear on the panel for this discussion. We would be pleased to defray your travel expenses to and from Bethesda, Maryland and your expenses in Vancouver. There is also an honorarium. The panel discussion we have tentatively set for the evening of Monday, June 3rd. I hope very much this date will be convenient and that you will be willing to participate in this event.

Yours sincerely,

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P.S. If your editorial in Science was reprinted I would be very pleased to receive a copy.