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**Title: BIOTECH LIABILITY- Importance of honest research.** 

Dear Mr. Ken Johnson,

Please note the reply from Deputy Chief Jo Ann Farrington of the U.S. Dept. of Public Integrity dated May 14, 2001. Enclosed (dated June 7, 2001) is material sent to D.C. Farrington for an investigation, please read, especially the Addendum as it explains how bad biotechnology can harm National Security and the Economy. No one wants to stop good biotech, but how do you know if someone lies about his or her research? In the past a bad, i.e. medicine could harm a limited number of people (those who took it). A new infectious disease, possibly airborne, could harm millions, which would devastate the economy (lost workers alone, not mentioning panic and rioting). Please read the material, as it should be relevant to your standing committee.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

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