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Jerome H. Jaffe, M. D.
Acting Director
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Rockville, Maryland 20857

Dear Dr. Jaffe:

Thank you for your June 18, 1985 letter which advised me of the resignation of Dr. Pollin and the status of the Advisory Council's consideration of cigarette brand advertising.

I wish you well as you pursue your important responsibilities. While I may not have noted it in my communications with Dr. Pollin, I have deep appreciation of the social problems arising from alcohol and drug abuse and I recognize these as the priority concerns of your agency and the Advisory Council. It seems to me that special care must be taken to avoid a diffusion of the agency's resources and a blurring of its channels of effective communication through a misunderstanding of any kind about the matters which it takes up.

Should there be any renewed interest in the future among your associates on the matter of tobacco smoking, please do not hesitate to seek any relevant comment or information from us.

Sincerely,



Samuel D. Chilcote, Jr.

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