



OFFICE OF
THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CORPORATION

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

July 21, 1988

Dr. Melvin H. Chalfen
Commissioner, Health & Hospitals
Cambridge Hospital
1493 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Dr. Chalfen:

I write in response to your inquiry pertaining to Building 18 on the MIT campus and the question of "whether or not radiation is emanating" from that building.

Building 18, the Dreyfus Building, is located in the midst of the east side of the MIT campus and houses laboratories and offices of the Chemistry Department. Since receiving your inquiry, and as we discussed in our several telephone conversations, we have investigated this matter thoroughly. Radiation surveys have indicated that there is no radiation present beyond natural background levels.

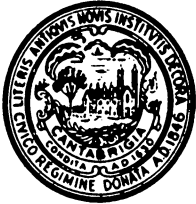
For your records you will want to note that, in the course of our investigation, representatives of the MIT Radiation Protection Office surveyed floor-by-floor within the building. They and others also interviewed a number of key personnel within the Dreyfus Building. In addition, all records of materiel shipments into the building over the past year were reviewed as were the records of all laboratory monitoring stations.

We were pleased to cooperate with you in investigating this inquiry. Let me know if you need anything further.

Sincerely,

Walter L. Milne

cc: City Manager



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September 26, 1988

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With respect to Awaiting Report Item No. 15 relative to whether radiation is emanating from Building 18 at M. I. T., enclosed please find copy of a report from Walter L. Milne to Dr. Melvin H. Chalfen, Commissioner of Health and Hospitals.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mbf

Enc.

Re: response to Awaiting Report Item 15 on
whether radiation is emanating from Building
18 at MIT.

In City Council,

September 26, 1988

C. Dineen

Referred Back to
the City Council for
Further Report