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Dear Sam

Thank you for your two letters of 14th and 29th January. We are looking forward to seeing the folder for management which will take the place of the "overseas" caution labels.

I must confess that at its meeting on Thursday, 6th February, the Asbestos Information Committee registered extreme concern when I told them that in your view the word "overseas" means all shipments outside the North American continent and it was reported at the same meeting that equal concern was felt by the A F I C here. You are familiar with the reasons for this concern since these were given you during your October visit to this country and were confirmed by various letters including mine of the 30th October. If it is not too late, I would hope that you could have another look at this letter in order to appreciate the full force of the arguments deployed in it. In particular, we are concerned lest transport workers in the U S A who see your labels will communicate their disquiet to the Transport and General Workers Union in this country, whose members largely control the passage of cargoes through British docks. The latest wording on my file for the caution label reads as follows -

CAUTION

"This bag contains chrysotile asbestos fibre. Persons exposed to this material should use adequate protective devices as inhalation of this material over long periods may be harmful."

Is this the final wording? It might be worth considering adding the words "of substantial quantities" after the word "inhalation", though, as I repeat, the British industry would prefer no labels to be used at all.

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**Factory Regulations**

Our latest information on the British Factory Regulations is that provided the final objection from an Association is formally withdrawn in mid-February, the Regulations will be enacted in March and would come into force in March 1970. I will let you know as soon as we have firmer information. Provided, of course, the objection is withdrawn, the Asbestos Regulations will be printed exactly as the draft, of which you already have a copy.

Yours sincerely,

Wilfred

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