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Eric Longabardi is a national award winning broadcast producer and investigative journalist with a career spanning nearly two decades. Longabardi has reported extensively on a wide variety issues related to the US Defense Department's research into biological and chemical weapons over the years. He has also reported extensively on the FBI 'Amerithrax' investigation of Dr. Bruce Ivins, the Fort Detrick, Maryland biowarfare scientist the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) claims was the person responsible for mailing Anthrax letters which killed five people and sickened 17 others in 2001. Longabardi was the first journalist to disclose the movements and detail the "window of opportunity" of Dr. Ivins on the dates the Anthrax letters were mailed and detail his whereabouts at the Fort Detrick Laboratory where he worked during the dates in question.

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From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Subject: Anthrax spores
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 7:50:34 AM

(b)
(6)

Yesterday, 20 MAR 00, B. anthracis Ames spores were irradiated by your department with 5 million rads. The samples were plated out onto Tryptic soy agar and found to be sterile.

- Bruce Ivins
Bacteriology Division

From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [.USAMRIID](#)
Subject: asm pOSTER
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 5:13:50 PM
Attachments: [ASM 2000 poster - Ivins.doc](#)

(b) (6) Here is the poster.

- Bruce

From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) USAMRIID
Subject: FW: Bioport response
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 2:05:17 PM
Attachments: [bioport_response.doc](#)
[Memorandum for Record - BioPort Meeting of 10 March 20001.doc](#)
Importance: High

>-----Original Message-----

>From: (b) (6) USAMRIID
>Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 9:51 AM
>To: Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID
>Subject: FW: Bioport response
>Importance: High

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>Bruce, For your info. (b) (6)

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>From: (b) (6) USAMRIID
>Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 8:15 AM
>To: (b) (6)

>Cc: (b) (6) USAMRIID; (b) (6) USAMRIID

>Subject: RE: Bioport response
>Importance: High

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>To all. I drafted a strawman response last night. Please review, edit, modify or anything else ASAP. We need to get a response to others in our chain and the CG for review. A final letter must go out to BioPort by 24 March and actual work on the responses must have started last week as I know some of you have been working on it.

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>Thanks.

(b) (6)

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>-----Original Message-----

>From: (b) (6) USAMRIID
>Sent: Monday, March 20, 2000 2:43 PM
>To: (b) (6)

>Cc: (b) (6) USAMRIID

>Subject: Bioport response

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>Following our after action meeting of the BioPort trip on 13 Mar, individuals were tasked to prepare draft responses to BioPort's request. If you already forwarded those to (b) (6) pls reforward to me. If you have not done the draft response and we asked you to provide the strawman response to one of the request, pls do so ASAP and forward to me so that we can finalize a written response to the request.

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>Attached is the final version of the memo summarizing the trip and the requests that we received.

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(b) (6)

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> << File: Memorandum for Record - BioPort Meeting of 10 March 20001.doc >>
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From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Cc: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Subject: Necropsy help
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 2:35:14 PM

(b) (6)

I would like to ask you for your help in guinea pig necropsies to be done in (b) (6) rom tomorrow, Wednesday, 22 MAR through Friday, 24 MAR. (b) (6)) will be performing the necropsies. He will probably need help with euthanasia of any moribund animals as well as help with other things.

I will be out of the office on Wednesday, 22 MAR.

Thank you,

- Bruce Ivins
Bacteriology Division

(b) (6)

From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Subject: RE: LD50 for Ames
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2000 2:38:23 PM

I gave it to him over the phone (b) (6)
SC = 1560 spores
Aerosol = 105,000 spores

- Bruce

>-----Original Message-----

>From: (b) (6)
(b) (6) Tuesday, March 21, 2000 1:37 PM
>To: Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID
>Subject: LD50 for Ames

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>I have been asked by (b) (6) the Ames LD50 for rabbits sc and aerosol. Do you have that info?
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>The sc Ames LD 50 is 1500 spores?
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>Thanks,
(b) (6)

From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Subject: RE: A reply from (b) (6)
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2000 4:20:09 PM

Yes, (b) (6)
I received a reply from (b) (6) just a few days ago. He thanked me for my letter of recommendation.

- Bruce

>-----Original Message-----

>From: (b) (6) USAMRIID
>Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2000 8:36 AM
>To: Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID
>Subject: A reply from (b) (6)

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>Bruce,

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>How are you? Can you walk without any support now? I have only one question.

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>After you wrote a letter of recommendation to (b) (6) in supporting my application, did he reply your letter and thank you for your comments? According to (b) (6) the Search Committee will meet this week and evaluate my application. Either way (yes or no), a decision will be made soon. I will inform you about the Committee's decision after I am notified. It appears that all signs are positive so far.

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(b) (6)

From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Subject: RE: immunizations
Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2000 4:26:56 PM

Not a problem, (b) (6). Would you like us to provide you with adjuvant and the two prepared vaccines (PA + Alhydrogel; PA + Ribi adjuvant) on Monday morning about 8:30? The two vaccines will already be mixed and ready to go. If you would like the Ribi adjuvant Thursday or Friday, let me know. We have it for you.

- Bruce

>-----Original Message-----

>From: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
>Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2000 11:54 AM
>To: Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID
>Subject: immunizations

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>Bruce,

> Sorry it has taken me so long to get back to you. I have had many things to do. In any event, I have figured out how much of the adjuvant we will need for the first vaccination.

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> 1. 18 guinea pigs will get an Ebola recombinant protein in RIBI adjuvant. At 4 doses per vial, I believe that this will require 5 vials.

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> 2. 6 guinea pigs will get bacillus PA in RIBI = 2 vials

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> 3. 6 guinea pigs will get bacillus PA in alhydrogel

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>There are no negative controls that will need adjuvant. The reason, as you may recall, is that our negative controls for this first round are just non-vaccinated animals. This was because we would have needed another 40-50 animals just for negative controls. The groups that work in this first round will be repeated and the full negative vaccinated controls will be done with them. I can't say that I like this approach the best, but it is best as far as logistics are concerned. We are still on track to do this Monday. We will start at 9AM. When you know what time you would like to come by, let me know.

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>Thanks,

(b) (6)

(6)

From: [Ivins, Bruce E Dr USAMRIID](#)
To: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Bcc: (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#); (b) (6) [USAMRIID](#)
Subject: B-5 cleaning report
Date: Thursday, March 23, 2000 2:31:45 PM

To: (b) (6)
Bacteriology Division
(b) (6)

(b) (6)
(6) This communication is to inform you that Team Ivins has successfully completed the cleanup of porcelain items (urinal, commode, sink) in the B-5 men's lavatory. Building Engineers has been notified about the leak in the sink. The urinal, commode and sink are ready for inspection and approval. If there are any problems with the work accomplished, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Bruce Ivins
Team Ivins team leader
USAMRIID Bacteriology Division