One question is whether references 2 10 and 11 exist or are made up. Hoptman wasn't sure when I asked last year. At that time, ACDA did not want to press the Russians to provide copies!

I'm not sure the Sverdlovsk incident was not food-borne; but the Russians are surely covering up something! High level corruption?
1) I'd like to get an updated compartmented briefing
2) How get this info. to Andropov?

Josh

Len Durham

DEC 28

Soviet deception re Sverdlovsk.

The 1980 paper is their lame reply about the epidemic of 1979. It has none of the detail that would dignify a scientific paper here.

The present issue is pre-varication about pulmonary anthrax - marked. The canonical Russian literature leaves no doubt that the Russians accept pulmonary anthrax as a distinct entity. Note, e.g., the 1970 item enclosed.

Len

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Still to come
— a brief on CW op's

My next visit Washington is Feb 9-10: Pentagon, DSC
January 9-17 I'll be in Trinidad - Tobago: West Indies Medical Research.

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