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Herbert L. Ley, Jr., M.D.
Commissioner of Food and Drugs
Department of Health, Education and Welfare
Washington, D. C.
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Dear Dr. Ley:

Tetracycline and its associated "broad spectrum antibiotics" are life-saving drugs. There is no question but what they permit an over-growth of Monilia-like organisms at times.

I have reason to believe that Mysteclin-F and similar combinations with Fungisone or Nystatin exert a favorable influence toward suppressing over-growth of "candida".

I am not aware of any harm due to Fungisone or Nystatin used in the doses prescribed with the "broad spectrum antibiotics".

I believe, like thousands of other doctors, that we should be allowed to continue the use of the combinations until it is proven that they are harmful or useless.

Sincerely yours,

Howard C. Romig
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Encl. Guidelines which Physicians
May Want to Include in Letter
to FDA,