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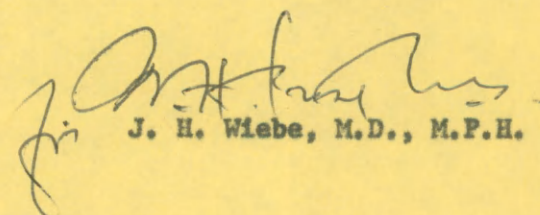
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Herewith is a preliminary copy of Dr. de Villiers' long awaited report. It would be greatly appreciated if you would examine it and decide whether it should be released and, if so, to whom.

Dr. Frost has some reservation in regard to reported abnormal electrocardiographic changes. It is well known that certain abnormalities in the ST segment in the cardiograph of healthy people can be eliminated from precordial lead tracings by adjusting the position of the electrodes in persons with peculiar cardiac configurations. For example, a person with a long narrow heart may show certain abnormalities in precordial leads which are eliminated by having the electrodes placed in the next lower interspace.

In clinical practice abnormal electrocardiographic findings in asymptomatic patients require further investigation.


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