The vial you are looking at contains a sample of uranium abstracted from your stock in Wilmington. We are in possession of 66,350 kilograms. It consists of containers number 2607 to 1024 (35,350 KG) and number 3602 to 1817 (31,000 KG).

Plan A is as follows: Beginning this Thursday, February 1, 1979, vials like this will be sent from various parts of the country to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Union of Concerned Scientists (who will verify the contents), the Manhattan Alliance and all other anti-nuclear groups. Ralph Nader, every major newspaper in the country, the White House and every Senator or Congressman who has ever expressed doubt about nuclear power.

It will be made very clear where the uranium came from. You know we have a supply sufficient to do this.

The result will be a mass of outcry from all quarters.

The NRC, for political reasons if nothing else, will force an immediate shutdown of your plant. Having just rebutted their own safety study with all the publicity they can do no less. Moreover their own regulations require it.

The newspapers with their love for scare stories will blow it up and give it wide coverage.
The Clamahall Alliance and other groups will receive a big boost in morale and thus on new demonstrations, recruit new members and be a stronger force than before, creating even more news stories. The Union of Concerned Scientists and Radar's people will call press conferences to denounce GE and the whole industry. You will have no answer for them. Some of the more politically motivated members of Congress will make speeches and call for a Congressional investigation that would drag on for months. (They know the value of a good issue with elections just next year). The result will be new laws with more and tighter regulations and Government control.

Any possible good will generated by the First National Conference on Energy Advocacy (February 2-4) will be destroyed and the blame placed on you and GE. The other members of your own industry must make you and GE the scapegoats or they will share the blame.

In the public mind - for this to happen after years of assurances that uranium stocks were secure from terrorists will convince many who may have previously favored nuclear power that it is after all dangerous and they have been lied to again. You will see a dramatic swing against you in public opinion. This is inevitable after this combines with the NRC rejection of the Safety Study.

Again you and GE will take the blame. With the attention focused on Vice-Premier Yang's visit it will be recalled that the first Chinese H-Bomb was made with stolen American uranium. This fact publicized now will return to the White House for
State Department and all others committed to smooth dealings with China. They will also blame you and GE.

In addition - your plant being shut down for a long time will cause horrendous problems in loss of production, delayed projects, missed deliveries, governmental interference and loss of income, all of this will cost you and GE millions.

The GE Board will have no other choice but to fire you ignominiously. You know they do not reward failure.

In short, this action will be resounding defeat for the industry in general, a disaster for GE in particular, and will destroy your career.

There is one way and one way only that this can be avoided.

You have 48 hours to arrange for $1,000,000 in cash in 70's, 20's and 50's. No other denominations, all used bills and not consecutively numbered. You will be contacted as to how the money is to be turned over to us. After an additional 48 hours during which we will count, examine and test the money for any identifying characteristics, chemical or otherwise the uranium will be returned to Wilminton. You be notified where it is. You pick it up, return it to your stock and it will be all over. No one need ever know.

It will do you absolutely no good to attempt to stop us. The uranium has already gone at least 1,000 miles and cannot be located. Those of us here do not even know where it is now.
If you make even so much as an attempt to bring in the police (and we will know if you do) Plan B will be implemented automatically.

This Plan calls for all the above-mentioned things to happen and as well the contents of one can will be spread through the downtown area of a major city.

The authorities will be notified that it has happened and that you knew in advance and had been able to stop it.

Following that the price for the other can goes to $200,000, and if that is not paid the name of the next city so treated will be announced in advance.

You can imagine the panic that would cause and the anger directed at you and CO.

As you see there is no choice.

Remember that a good part of the $100,000 will be offset by the recovery of the 66 kilograms.

Your main concern is if we will actually return it once the money is paid.

It will be and you can rely on it because of an extremely strong motive on our part - self interest.

If you pay and take back your uranium we can be sure you will never announce it. If you never admit it then no crime is reported and we are free from any possible consequences. Even if one of our group went crazy in the future and claimed to have done it no one would believe them. You would have your uranium to prove it and we are then safe even from members of our own group.
We realize that following this security will be taken to the point where it can never happen again. We also realize that you can hide this expense in any one of a dozen projects for accounting purposes, we will accept no excuses.

Do not call attention to this in any way. If you verify that the cans are gone do so without any noise. Arrange for the money to come from several different banks. Make an plausible story for the banks. Any slip ups here will cause the bomb to drop. It is not under our control locally so be very careful.

We are a very disciplined group determined to see this through to the end.

This is a very serious matter.

It can end well or it can be a disaster for you and the. You will be contacted.