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James: I'll send a proper response to your latest email later today but the idea of a 2nd July meeting is certainly a good one so we'll agree to that. Also, I don't think we'll need your help in getting POL to respond to the Spot Reviews. They are RESPONDING... but not yet in a form that will really WORK in our Interim Report or in the 8th July Meeting. They are still - understandably I suppose - incredibly defensive and nobody - at the levels producing the responses - is ready to give an inch. They probably fear it will be career death to concede any failings whatsoever. We have consistently and clearly asked for short, easy-to-understand, honest and complete answers to the assertions that we have put forward. What we are getting are highly technical, multi-page, responses that will appear to many to have been crafted so as to avoid actually giving any answers to those assertions and allegations at all. Without wishing to burden you with detail, the attached is a pretty good example of the POL/2nd Sight dialogue... and shows my exasperation in trying to get them to ANSWER THE BLASTED QUESTIONS.

I'll try again, in a conference call tomorrow (actually later this morning!), to get POL to understand how difficult it is going to be for Ian and I to summarise their side of each of the stories that are to be included in the Interim Report/July 8th Meeting if they fail to provide the crisp, straight-talking answers that everyone will be expecting. Spot Review 05, the subject of the following emails, is one of those that will be addressed on July 8th.

Best regards, Ron.