

PLANS FOR THE 1962 MEDICAL SURVEY OF RONGELAP PEOPLE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPPORT OF SURVEY.

It is planned that the annual medical survey of the Rongelap people accidentally exposed to fallout in 1954 will be carried out during the latter part of February and March 1962.

Agreement has been reached with the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Mr. Peter Coleman, District Administrator, Marshall Islands) for use of their cargo ship (Ran Annim) for transporting the medical team (16 people from the United States and Trust Territory) and survey supplies and equipment from Kwajalein to Rongelap and return. The team will live on Rongelap for 15 days to conduct the survey. A tentative schedule is as follows:

February 22	Arrival of team in Kwajalein V. L. MAFS
22-27	Examination of Rongelap natives living at Ebeve (about 50) at Kwajalein Hospital (Dr. S. Shippey, Head of Hospital, has agreed).
28	Transport about 10 team members with about 6 medical boxes to Majuro
March 1-3	Examine Rongelap people living at Majuro (about 20)
4	Ran Annim leave for Kwajalein
5	Ran Annim arrive Kwajalein, Onload equipment
6	Ran Annim leave for Rongelap
7	Ran Annim arrive Rongelap
7-23	Examination of Rongelap people
24	Ran Annim leave Rongelap
25	Ran Annim arrive Kwajalein, offload equipment and team.
26	teams leave via MAFS

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