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Captain James S. Russell, USN

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[redacted] Atolls. [redacted] was brought out that, in addition to the usual two weeks at Bikini and two weeks at Eniwetok, it might be desirable to spend an additional week at an uncontaminated Atoll - possibly Likiep. (10%-16 [illegible])

Colonel Preuss pointed out that military air travel in the Pacific area was presently extremely restricted, and therefore it might be necessary to move the party by commercial air. It was further pointed out that DMA should have a fairly concise memorandum from the Division of Biology and Medicine as to dates, times, numbers of individuals, and facilities desired. Mr. Finley agreed to provide this information. The availability of a Navy liaison officer to accompany the party was discussed, particularly that the chances for availability were not too good. Colonel Preuss asked if Captain Draeger, MC (USN) might not be called upon to provide an officer from his activity. Mr. Jensen pointed out that Dr. Donaldson had an [illegible] officer who might have pre- [illegible] and therefore [illegible] agreed to [illegible]

[redacted] on April 18. Captain Martell [illegible] the extreme restrictions on availability of military air transport, stating that the run from San Francisco to Honolulu was not as critical as the run from Honolulu to Kwajalein. Captain Russell suggested that the services of an AVP (small sea plane tender), plus a detachment of PBM sea planes, might be in order if ComAirPac and CinePac had a mind to conduct a sea plane [illegible] with the survey. Captain Martell [illegible] both with respect to the AVP idea and the availability of an LCI at Kwajalein. He asked that a written request be transmitted to CNO (attention Op-36). This was promised.

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