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FROM POLAD PO. STATE FOR IO/UNP AND S/PC. DEFENSE FOR OSD/ISA
AND JCS. WHITE HOUSE FOR MR HOLDRIDGE (NSC). COMTWELVE FOR
AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS. CINCPAC FOR POLAD.
SUBJECT: TTPI - ENIWETOK AND BIKINI ATOLLS
REF: POLAD 18 (MICOMTERPACIS SAIPAN 211600Z JAN)
1. REFTEL REPORTED ARTICLES IN MICRONITOR AND MICRONESIA
STAR CONCERNING ENGAGEMENT OEO LEGAL SERVICES BY ENIWETOK PEOPLE,
AND LATTER'S INTENT RETURN TO THEIR ATOLL THIS YEAR.
2. JANUARY 22 EDITION GUAM PDN CARRIED SIMILAR STORY, BUT
WITHOUT REFERENCE TO NE NOTED PARA TWO REFTEL.

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3. SAME EDITION PDN ALSO FRONT-PAGED STORY, BY MIKE MALONE,
REPORTING THAT JAPANESE "MEDICAL TEAM" WHICH BRIEFLY VISITED
MAJURO IN DECEMBER, COMPLETED ABOUT A DOZEN MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS
OF RONGALAPESE LIVING ON MAJURO. (RONGALAPESE ARE DISPLACED
BIKINIANS WHO RECEIVED ACCIDENTAL FALLOUT DOSE DURING 1954 TEST.)
STORY STATES ONE MEMBER OF "MEDICAL TEAM," JURO IKEYAMA, HAS

WRITTEN TO CONGRESSMAN ATAJI BALOS (WHO INITIATED INVITATION TO

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TEAM) TO EFFECT AT LEAST FIVE OF THOSE EXAMINED NEED URGENT MEDICAL TREATMENT EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE AMONG PERSONS AEC DOCTORS DESCRIBE AS BEING IN GOOD HEALTH. NOWHERE IN STORY IS PRESENT ILLNESS THESE PEOPLE SPECIFICALLY ATTRIBUTED TO FALLOUT ACCIDENT, BUT IKEYAMA LETTER, ACCORDING STORY, STATES "A-BOMB SUFFERERS LOSE THEIR HEALTH MUCH EASIER THAN ORDINARY PEOPLE AND REQUIRE CAREFUL MEDICAL TREATMENT." LETTER ALSO URGES STATIONING OF DOCTORS AT RONGELAP, UTRIK AND MAJURO ATOLLS TO MONITOR HEALTH OF FALLOUT VICTIMS, AND ALSO STATES "I DARE SAY OBJECT OF AEC INVESTIGATION TEAM DOES NOT PUT ITS FOCUS ON CURING SUFFERERS BUT ONLY ON COLLECTING DATE FOR THEIR EXPERIMENT." DORRANCE

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