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Admiral Arleigh A. Burke, USN
Chief of Naval Operations
Department of the Navy
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Admiral Burke:

It is a pleasure to report that the sixth follow-up medical examination of the Marshallese Islanders has been successfully completed and the personnel of the team are preparing their data for publication.

Preliminary analyses of their data indicate that no untoward clinical effects have occurred in the population although there has been a slight increase in the body burden of certain radioactive nuclides.

Dr. Robert A. Conard, leader of the team, has written that Lt. W. E. Lanciter USN, Commanding Officer of the USN ROYAL COUNTY (LST 758), and the officers and crew of the ship cooperated in every way possible and contributed greatly to the success of the expedition.

Dr. Conard has also asked me to note the outstanding assistance rendered the team by several other Navy personnel. Commander I. V. King (MSC) USN served as a most effective Navy Liaison Officer in the Washington area. Captain C. F. Van der Aue USN, Commanding Officer of the Naval Medical Research Institute, supported the mission to the fullest and at Hawaii, Captain Harry Etter (MC) USN was a most efficient Liaison Officer to the Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet. At Kwajalein the Commanding Officer, Captain Alfred L. Cope USN, cooperated in every possible way and particularly in arranging for air support of the Operation Bangalap. Commander F. W. Mayer (MC) USN, the senior medical officer at Bangalap, was also extremely helpful.

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It is quite evident that we and the team are greatly in your debt and all the more so because we are unable to express our appreciation to all of the Navy personnel whose splendid support all down the line was essential for the successful completion of the mission.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED, A. R. LUEDECKE

General Manager

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