

The United States Government is gravely concerned over reports that some Japanese fishermen have suffered injury during the course of atomic tests in the Marshall Islands. The United States Government is conducting an investigation in cooperation with Japanese authorities on all the facts in this case in order to determine how this regrettable accident occurred despite the careful precautions taken and including warnings issued over a wide area.

NOTE:

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