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SUBJECT: RONGELAP, ALLINGINAE, UTIRIK RESURVEYS

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The following was accomplished in three separate telephone conversations on Thursday, September 15:

1. Paul Spain was on vacation. A Mr. Hohner, from Los Angeles Office, will substitute for Paul while he is out of the country. Hohner will arrange transportation of Donaldson's group to Eniwetok and for a plane to fly them to Rongelap. No doubt Spain will firm up the latter problem on his way to Japan.
2. Allyn H. Seymour, second in command at Applied Fisheries Laboratory, was willing to go to Utirik to accomplish Eisenbud's request, but was not overly enthusiastic. We would have to make arrangements for urine collections with Trust Territory officials.
3. Merrill Eisenbud agreed to analyze duplicate samples from Rongelap Resurvey. He made the following request:

### Utirik Atoll

The Health and Safety Laboratory, NYOO, has requested the collection of the following samples:

- a. Urine
  - (1) 1 liter samples of 12 different natives.
  - (2) 1 liter control samples of the scientists and crew of aircraft.
- b. Food

Representative samples of the type of foods the natives have been eating since their return to the Atoll.

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