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ear Bob,

I wanted to let you know that departed on this date, 21 July, on vacation. How that affects my immunation I leave to you and Brookhaven.

Have finished work here in Majuro. Amon & Tabas are still in the hospital. ive asked John Steele & Ethel to obtain mail you some sputum specimens on Amon.

I've had some more discussions with the Bikini people here at Majuro. I told them of the plutonium problem and did so because I felt they had a need to know. I indicated to them I would communicate to you. It would seem best if you write Birna, Dustad Rep Bikini a letter (sending it c/o Oscar DeBrum on Majuro) dealing with several questions.

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(1) What are the exact levels of plutonium found in the urines?

(2) What is the source of the plutonium? How did it get into their bodies?

(3) Can it be expected to increase in amount thru continued living at Bikini?

(4) Are there any dangers from increasing levels? Doesn't present a medical problem?

(5) ~~Progr~~ What program is there to continue to monitor this problem?

Open communication with the people will tend to avert charges of secrecy, distrust, etc. I hope you agree.

I'm still planning to see you in August. Hope Knud is at Kwaj for the two days I'm back there to discuss the problems.

Yours,

Konrad

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