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Dear Dr. Warren:

This letter is to confirm our understanding of the agreements reached at a conference in your office on January 25, 1950, at which Colonel J. P. Cooney represented the Division of Military Application.

The conference was primarily concerned with implementation of your directive incorporated in a letter addressed to me, under date of November 30, 1949, with the subject "Biological and Medical Aspects of RW".

It was understood that we shall proceed at once to make plans for arrangements for carrying out responsibilities of the AEC for the biological aspects of field testing, to be carried out in connection with the program of the Chemical Corps at Dugway. No additional funds will be requested for this purpose during FY 1950 since the balances in the present contracts with the Chicago Operations Office AT (11-1)-37 and with the Chemical Corps will be adequate for initiation of this work.

Beginning with FY 1951, continuing through FY 1953 and subject to possible further extension, the Division of Military Application will carry in its budget estimates the sum of \$350,000 annually under the title "Biological and Medical Aspects of RW". This sum is intended to cover the cost of implementation of the directive of November 30, 1949, above referred to. We understand, of course, that the inclusion of these amounts in the budget estimates of the Division of Military Application does not constitute a commitment on the part of the AEC for provision of these funds, it being understood that the actual amounts to be provided from time to time will be subject to further negotiation, and to justification of the amounts actually needed to carry out the programs required.

It is understood that the amount of \$350,000 per annum, above referred to, is intended to provide for the cost of the Panel on Biological and

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Medical Aspects of RW and of its Study Group, the cost of the University of Chicago Toxicity Laboratory and the cost of the field testing program at Dugway. Allocation of funds for these purposes within the totals provided from year to year will be determined by further negotiations from time to time.

It is our understanding that the cost of work to be undertaken under your direction subsequent to July 1, 1950, will be provided for under extensions of the present contracts and project agreements between the University of Chicago and the Chicago Operations Office, AEC, and between the University of Chicago and the Chemical Corps (funds to be provided by the AEC). It is also our understanding that if it appears desirable, all of the responsibility of the University of Chicago for the program on the Biological and Medical Aspects of RW and including the University of Chicago Toxicity Laboratory, may be included in a single project agreement with the Atomic Energy Commission, under the business administration of the Manager, Chicago Operations Office. Contract #AT (11-1)-37, already in effect, provided the basis for extension of the present Project Agreement #1 to accomplish this purpose as stated.

It was our understanding that employment of personnel to carry out the purposes of the directive of November 30, 1949 will be the responsibility of the University of Chicago, under the contracts and project agreements to be in force from time to time. This understanding includes the employment of such consultants as may be needed for the planning and direction of the field testing program at Dugway.

Following the conference in your office on January 25, we discussed with Dr. Bowers and Dr. Tuttle on January 26 the status, under the agreements as recorded above, of work which might be undertaken elsewhere on our recommendation, but not performed under the University of Chicago's contracts or project agreements. It was agreed that such work should be performed under contracts to be arranged and administered by the Division of Biology and Medicine, and that the question of financing such additional work will be discussed as the occasion arises. It was understood that the budget estimates referred to above do not include provision for work other than that to be performed by the University of Chicago.

I shall be glad to have your confirmation of these understandings.

Sincerely,

Franklin C. McLean - Draft
Franklin C. McLean, M.D.

cc: Colonel J. P. Cooney

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2. [unclear] and [unclear]

a. Profection [unclear]

b. Large animal [unclear]

c. get out of [unclear]

d. use of U of I [unclear]

e. Keep program [unclear]

f. use B. W. L. [unclear]

g. no animal [unclear]

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