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Dear Mr. Norwood:

The visit of Mr. Rasmussen of the AEC and I to Saipan and the Marshall Islands last month was most satisfactory, and I greatly appreciated your support of the special medical project at Rongelap. The personnel of the Trust Territory on the entire trip were most cordial and helpful, and I feel that our discussions with them will result in much better understanding of our mutual problems.

I had discussions with Luke Howe at Saipan about survey arrangements for next March, and he has agreed to furnish the usual medical support, including certain Trust Territory personnel participation.

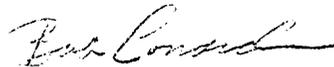
At Majuro, Dwight Heine and Danny Akimoto were most helpful in survey arrangements at the district level. I was sorry not to see John Iaman, who was on his way to Saipan, but did see Isaac Lanwi. I also discussed arrangements with Ray McKay at Kwajalein. As you suggested, I will correspond directly with these people in regard to further survey arrangements, with info copy to you.

I have made several inquiries in regard to a physician for Director of Medical Services but thus far have not come up with anything promising. Will continue to look around.

I will keep you informed through your Medical Services Division of any developments in regard to the effects of radiation exposure on the people of Rongelap Island.

Most sincerely,

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