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Mr. W. J. Stanley, Director  
USDOE, PASO  
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Dear Bill:

Harry Brown has been diligently working with us behind the scenes to arrange for a relatively uncomplicated field trip to Majuro and a second round of whole body counting for the Bikini people who currently reside there. His efforts are to be commended in light of the fact that both PASO and ourselves are caught in the middle of DOE and interagency politics and protocol which have complicated our efforts.

We have essentially resigned ourselves to the week of 21 January as the earliest possible time to do this work in Majuro. Our party will consist of myself and Bob Miltenberger as the whole body counting team, Evie Craighead as our interpreter. We anticipate completion of the whole body counting (WBC) portion of this trip by 24 January, but we will remain at Majuro through 27 January to summarize the results and to complete the urine bioassay collections. We would like your assistance in arranging for the transmittal of WBC results and analyses directly to Tom McCraw in Germantown via the most expeditious means no later than Friday, 26 January. The urgency is the result of pending Yates Committee hearings during which these data are expected to be discussed. I am thinking that the best way to accomplish this would be to get the data to Kwajalein via Air Micronesia, at which point it could be telecopied to DOE Headquarters. If you have any better ideas, please let me know.

At the completion of our work in Majuro, Bob Miltenberger and I expect to continue across the Trust Territory to finish the Pacific Basin Study, a collaborative effort with the University of Washington which I began with Vic Nelson in 1975. Its purpose is to measure background radiation and environmental radioactivity in the Northern tropical Pacific. Equipment problems prevented us from finishing the external radiation measurements portion of that program on the first field trip. Our flight schedule has been confirmed, and we are trying to establish the following itinerary. All dates and times listed are "local".

REPOSITORY DOE/PASO  
COLLECTION DOE/NV  
BOX No. 1236  
FOLDER BNL FOLDER # 2  
BIOASSAY/WHOLE BODY  
COUNTING FY 1979

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<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Arrival Time</u>	<u>Air Mic. FH No.</u>
1/28 (Greenhouse, Miltenberger)	Majuro	Ponape	1242	CO 675
1/30 (Greenhouse, Miltenberger)	Ponape	Truk	1313	CO 625
2/1 (Miltenberger only)	Truk	HNL	0608	CO 644
2/1 (Greenhouse only)	Truk	Guam	1505	CO 643
2/2 (Greenhouse only)	Guam	Koror	1101	CO 652
2/4 (Greenhouse only)	Koror	Guam	1859	CO 679
2/5 (Greenhouse only)	Guam	Kwajalein	1634	CO 612

On the original field trip in 1975, the Trust Territory Agriculture Department was notified of our schedule and purpose, and the TT Agriculture field office staff at each stop were very cordial and helpful. A government car was even provided for us at Truk. Please let me know if PASO can assist us with TT and local government contacts, and with hotel and rental car reservations at each stop where a government "courtesy car" cannot be arranged.

I expect to be in touch with Jimmy, Koga and Harry Brown during the week of 1 January to "fill in the blanks". Our anticipated schedule for the entire trip is listed on the attached page.

Best wishes to you and your staff for a happy New Year.

Sincerely,



N.A. Greenhouse

NAG:lm

Attachment

cc: C.B. Meinhold

A.P. Hull

R. Miltenberger

H. Pratt

E. Craighead