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 2. Mr. Strauss *(9)* *10/4/56*
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 to see immediately -
 for Mr. Fields 1:15 pm,
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TO : Lewis L. Strauss, Chairman

DATE: OCT 4 1958

FROM : K. E. Fields, General Manager

K. E. Fields

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE THIS MONTH OF BOOK ON MEDICAL EFFECTS OF FALLOUT FROM THE FIRST SHOT OF THE CASTLE SERIES

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As you will recall, last March and April there was some discussion of the timing of publication of two books by the AEC: one on the medical effects of the atomic bomb in Japan; and one on the medical history of the Marshallese and Americans exposed to radiation following the March 1st shot in the CASTLE test series. It was agreed here in AEC, and with the working groups and staff assistants of the OCB, at that time, that the books could be issued after June 1.

You will recall, also, that the book on the medical effects on the Japanese bombing appeared in early July. I am now advised by the Division of Biology & Medicine and the Division of Information Services that the medical team and the Government Printing Office have completed their work on the book concerning the radiation experiences of the Marshallese and Americans and that it is off the press. I am attaching a copy of the book.

Dr. Dunham will inform you from his Division of the content and plans for distribution among the medical profession of this book, which helps materially to substantiate our repeated pledges that we would issue biomedical information as soon as possible after it was available.

The book will be on the shelves in the Superintendent of Documents' office for sale sometime next week. The distribution plan by AEC to the medical and related professions will go on during October and be completed early in November, probably.

I have instructed the Division of Information Services to proceed late this afternoon with notification to the Department of State and the USIA of the fact that the book will be distributed this month. (I understand copies will be supplied to the UN Committee on Radiation, which meets on October 25.) We will, of course, send forward a letter of notification and copies of the book to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy late today.

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

The OCB working group was reminded of the issuance of the book in early September, and the staff assistants were reminded again in late

September that it would come out. Admiral Foster believes we should proceed with its issuance. There will be no general publicity on the book. The Superintendent of Documents will call attention to it in its bi-weekly announcements of new available books about October 25. The Commission will give notice of its availability to the major medical publications.

ATTACHMENT:

"The Effects of Ionizing Radiation
on Human Beings"

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