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Major General Alvin R. Luedecks  
Chief, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project  
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Dear General Luedecks:

Reference is made to my letter of August 5, 1954, and your reply dated August 17, 1954, regarding the continued medical checkup of the Marshall Island residents who were exposed to radioactive fall-out as a result of the BRAVO shot of Operation "CASTLE".

Present plans contemplate that the second medical re-examination will be conducted sometime during the Spring of 1955. The specific date will be determined jointly by the Commanding Officers, NRI, Navy Radiological Defense Laboratory, and the AEC. Dr. E. P. Cronkite, a member of the Medical Division at Brookhaven National Laboratory, will serve as project leader for this second trip. Capt. Robert J. Johnson, Deputy Surgeon of your Field Command, will be a welcome addition to the medical team making this second visit, and it is suggested that he contact Dr. Cronkite directly for such detailed information as he will need in preparing himself for the trip.

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Sincerely yours,

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