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**From:** Project Officer, Marshallese Rehabilitation Project  
**To:** Director, Division Biology and Medicine, Atomic Energy Commission, Washington 25, D. C.  
**Via:** (1) Commanding Officer, Naval Medical Research Institute  
(2) Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (Code 714C)  
(3) Chief, Bureau of Ships (Code 348)

**Subj:** Marshallese rehabilitation, second medical study; proposal for

**Encl:** (1) Budget

1. In accordance with the conference held at the Atomic Energy Commission on 12 July 1954, the second trip to Majuro is tentatively scheduled for February 1955. The precise dates will be determined after the completion of the first trip. The second trip will be under the direction of the Naval Medical Research Institute.

2. Twelve to fourteen personnel are needed for the team for the second visit. It is proposed that the team be constituted of the following:

a. From NMRI (eight personnel)

- E. P. Cronkite, CDR, MC, USN
- N. R. Shulman, LT, MC, USN
- C. R. Sipe, BMC, USN
- C.P.A. Stroms, BMC, USN
- W. K. Border, BMC, USN

Laboratory technician )  
 Medical officer ) to be designated (as available)  
 Photographer )

b. From USNRDL (four personnel)

Medical officer )  
 3 laboratory technicians ) to be designated

c. From Mine Countermeasures Station, Panama City, Florida

J. S. Otto, BMC, USN

d. From AFSWP, Field Command  
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Robert Johnson, Capt, MC, USA

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e. From Division Biology and Medicine, AEC

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3. Special macrophotographic studies of the skin lesions are planned for the second visit. Equipment is not now available to perform these studies. By use of electronic flash illumination and special hyperclose photography, it is believed that the earliest of vascular and textural changes of the skin can be attained that will guide in selection of biopsy sites for the future.
4. Budget for equipment, travel, per diem and miscellaneous expenses is listed in enclosure (1).
5. If the above proposal and budget is satisfactory, it is requested that a prompt transfer of funds be made to the Bureau of Ships for further transfer to USNRDL and NMRI so that equipment can be purchased and other arrangements made in a routine fashion and thus avoid the hectic experiences of initiating the first follow-up trip.
6. It is requested that the Division of Biology and Medicine, AEC, inform the interested agencies and integrate plans for the second trip with the Chief of Naval Operations, Department of Interior, Department of State, and the Marshallese as appears indicated and keep the Director, USNRDL and the Commanding Officer, NMRI informed of progress.

E. P. CRONKITE

Copy to:  
Director, USNRDL

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Budget

Per diem and travel	\$ 9,500.00
Expendable supplies	500.00
Photographic and electronic equipment	700.00
Communications	300.00
Contingency for unforeseen travel delay and unexpected supplies and equipment	<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$ 13,000.00

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ENCLOSURE (1)

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