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Dear Mr. Secretary:

The Atomic Energy Commission has reviewed the agreement forwarded with your letter of April 6, 1958.

The agreement as written is acceptable to the Commission with the understanding that the payments required by paragraph 5 to be made by the "using agency" will, in the case of Eniwetok and Bikini Atolls, be made by the Department of the Navy without reimbursement from the Commission. In this connection you will recall in our letter of July 23, 1954, we indicated our understanding that the Navy had been authorized funds for this purpose by the 82nd Congress.

We wish to restate our desire that we be given an opportunity to approve the form and content of the use and occupancy agreements covering Eniwetok and Bikini prior to their execution.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. F. Libby

Chairman

Honorable C. A. Thomas
Secretary of the Navy

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