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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN:

State Department's U.N. desk has been advised that the Marshall Islanders have petitioned U.N. for relief of the situation brought about by our Proving Ground tests.

The U.N. desk has prepared the attached statement for immediate (today) transmission to Lodge for use today or tomorrow when the Marshall Island petition (attached) is brought up at U.N.

Gerry Smith asked our views and concurrence on the draft statement attached.

I note there is no statement contained in reply to charges of item C of page 2 of petition, which says "unsatisfactory arrangements [re possessions and living arrangements] for the Bikinians and Eniwetok people shall not be repeated."

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