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Dear Dr. Conard:

Thank you for your letter of January 4, 1978, which listed the names of additional Marshallese who were exposed to fallout and who should be considered for compensation under P.L. 95-134. Compensation for these individuals will be requested in the FY 1978 Supplemental. If all goes according to schedule, funds for the new cases might be available by May.

The surgery cases of _____ and _____ already are known to the High Commissioner's office and these two individuals will be told that their compensation will be forthcoming later this year. For the time being, I suggest that we not release the names of the "hypothyroid cases" until the Supplemental Appropriation is further along. By that time also, as you indicate, very likely additional cases will have been identified.

Sincerely yours,

MRS. RUTH G. VAN CLEVE

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