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Dr. Dunham said that the ACBM had recommended that the Rongelap natives be returned to the islands from which they were removed at the time of Operation CASTLE. Also, in view of the necessity of continuing weapons tests in the U.S., the Committee had recommended approval of the ten roentgen in ten years criteria for off-site exposure to fallout. Dr. Dunham said the Committee believes that this amount of exposure will not create an appreciable genetic risk to the U.S. population. (See AEC 156/64).

Mr. Murray then inquired about the status of a study being prepared for the Net Evaluation Subcommittee of the NSC concerning the biological consequences of Nuclear warfare. He said he wished to receive copies of this and all similar reports prepared by the AEC staff. Mr. Strauss said he had not yet seen this particular report, but that he would consider providing Mr. Murray a copy after he had seen it.

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