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**ITEM FOR BULLETIN**

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Following is material to be included in the Laboratory Bulletin which will be distributed on Friday, January 31:

At the present time the island of Majuro is undergoing an epidemic of polio and it is assumed that this will spread to a certain extent to other atolls in the Marshall Group. For this reason it has been declared mandatory that all personnel participating in Operation HARDTACK be immunized against this disease with Salk vaccine. An adequate supply of this vaccine is available in the dispensary, Room A-109, Administration Building, and all local personnel who will be a part of the Task Force are requested to report for their first shot as soon as possible. The second inoculation of the series should follow by not less than two weeks, and in some cases it will be necessary for people to obtain this after they arrive on FERRY. People should not forget that the complete series includes a third inoculation which can be given here after their return. The inoculations will be provided not only for those definitely planning to go to the Forward Area but also for those whose participation is possible but not yet definite.

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