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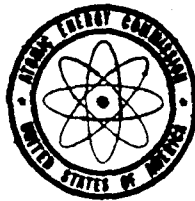
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Note by the Secretary

The General Manager has requested that the attached memorandum of October 27, 1969 from the Assistant General Manager for Military Application be circulated for the information of the Commission.

W. B. McCool

Secretary

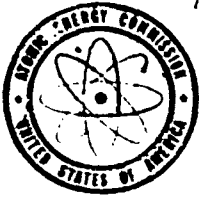
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For your information, we have been informed by Vice Admiral L. M. Mustin, USN, Director, DASA, that the Bikini cleanup project is now complete. On October 8, 1969, the Trust Territory representative on Bikini indicated satisfaction with the job, and by message of October 13, 1969, to Admiral Mustin, the AEC certified that the radioactive scrap removal and general radiological cleanup were satisfactorily completed. Director, DASA, will originate a comprehensive final report documenting the AEC-DOD cleanup at Bikini Atoll.

By letter of June 11, 1969*, the Deputy High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands requested that the AEC review current recommendations regarding land and food use in light of information acquired during the cleanup operation. In response to this request, the Division of Biology and Medicine intends to review the relevant cleanup data and make a final judgment on radiological safety. In addition, Dr. Robert A. Conard of Brookhaven National Laboratory will conduct medical surveillance of the people of Bikini as they return to their home atoll.

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