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Dear Mrs. Van Cleve;

Thank you for your letter of June 26, 1979 concerning the meeting we had in Washington June 13, 1979.

It appears to me that the notes you enclosed accurately describe the points discussed at the meeting. However, there is one minor correction and that is Mr. Tarlekebol went as Henchi Balos's staff member rather than a "Bikini/Kili Council Member".

Also, pertaining to part 10 on page 5, the point that Mr. Wiesgall made is that those people tested on Bikini by the Whole Body Counter may have been contaminated on Ronglap rather than Bikini. I am referring to internal contamination from local foods grown on Ronglap. Eneu, Bikini and the southern islands of Ronglap are identical in radiation background levels (G) according to the latest "RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY OF THE NORTHERN MARSHALLS". Of the 156 people removed from Bikini 25 had been living on Ronglap before they migrated to Bikini in 1975. This was about the time a sudden jump was noted in the Whole Body Counter tests at Bikini which was attributed to coconut trees becoming productive. I'm concerned that it may have been caused by the 25 people from Ronglap who had been ingesting radionuclides since 1957 when they were returned to Ronglap. Their systems had the opportunity to accumulate radionuclides for 18 years prior to their migration to Bikini.

This brings up another question. Since Ronglap has more or the same level of Gamma Rays being emitted as on Eneu (indicated by the 1978 RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY), why were the Ronglapese returned to their island 22 years ago and the Bikinians not allowed to return to Eneu for another 25 years? Both Eneu and Ronglap were contaminated by the same tests and have identical radiation levels. Is there a double standard used here?

You will find enclosed a portion of the statistics I've compiled of the people removed from Bikini in the Fall of 1979. I hope this information clarifies part 10 and the latest Bikini relocation. Most official reports I've seen, indicate that almost all removed from Bikini were Bikinian. This is certainly not the case. The Bikini/Kili Council released a directive in 1972 telling all Bikinians not to return to Bikini until they authorized them to do so as there were certain questions and requests made to the T.T. that were unresolved. The Bikini/Kili Council was opposed to anyone living on Bikini without their approval. That may explain why so many people living on Bikini were non-Bikinian and why all most all removed did not go to Kili to live.

It certainly was a pleasure seeing you again and an honor for me to attend the meeting held in your office June 13, 1979. All correspondence directed to Tomaki through me has been passed on to him.

Sincerely,

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FROM BIKINI FALL OF 1954 BY TRUST TERRITORY AND FROM
BIKINI FROM RONGLAP. COMPILED BY RALPH WALTZ JULY 1, 1979,

NAME	SEX/AGE	HOME ISLAND	TIME ON BIKINI	MIGRATED TO BIKINI FROM	NOW RESIDING
1	F/23	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
2	M/2	RONGLAP	1977 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
3.	M/54	BIKINI	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
4.	F/53	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
5.	M/18	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
6	F/13	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
7	M/10	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
8	M/8	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
9	F/5	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
10	M/4	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
11.	F/3	RONGLAP	1976 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
12.	F/29	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	PONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
13.	M/4	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
14.	F/3	RONGLAP	1976 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
15.	F/2	RONGLAP	1977 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
16.	F/1	RONGLAP	1978 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO
17.	M/23	RONGLAP	1976 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
18.	M/58	RONGLAP	1976 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
19.	M/54	BIKINI	1977 - 1978	RONGLAP -57	EJIT, MAJURO
20.	F/56	BIKINI	1977 - 1978	RONGLAP -60	EJIT, MAJURO
21.	F/14	BIKINI	1977 - 1978	RONGLAP -	EJIT, MAJURO
22.	F/12	BIKINI	1977 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
23.	F/8	BIKINI	1977 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
24.	M/6	BIKINI	1977 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
25.	F/22	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
26.	M/1	RONGLAP	1978 - 1978	BORN BIKINI	EJIT, MAJURO

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NAME	SEX/AGE	HOME ISLAND	TIME ON BIKINI	MIGRATED TO BIKINI FROM	NOW RESIDING
27.	M/49	RONGLAP	1973 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
28.	F/49	WOTJE	1973 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
29.	M/20	WOTJE	1973 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
30.	F/17	WOTJE	1973 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
31.	M/12	WOTJE	1973 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
32.	F/6	WOTJE	1973 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO
33.	M/30	RONGLAP	1975 - 1978	RONGLAP	EJIT, MAJURO

OTHER STATISTICS OF PEOPLE REMOVED FROM BININI FALL OF 1978.

157 PEOPLE WERE REMOVED.

71 OF THE PEOPLE REMOVED WERE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT WORKERS OR THEIR DEPENDENTS. NONE OF THE 71 CAME FROM KILI. 4 OF THE 71 ARE BIKINIAN. ALL WERE STATIONED ON BIKINI BY THE T.T. GOVERNMENT AND COULD HAVE BEEN SENT ELSE WHERE AT ANY TIME.

69 OF THE 157 ARE BIKINIAN WHO MIGRATED TO BIKINI FROM ISLAND OTHER THAN KILI (MOSTLY KWAJALIEN).

17 OF THE 157 REMOVED WERE BIKINIANS FROM KILI. THEY HAD LOCKED THEIR HOUSES ON KILI AND WENT TO BIKINI IN 1976 TO VISIT RELATIVES WHO HAD MIGRATED TO BIKINI FROM OTHER ISLANDS.

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TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE:

1. Distad Rep. Bikini
2. Dependent
3. Dep.
4. Dep.
5. Dep.

1. Agriculture Employee
2. Dependent
3. Dep.
4. Dep.

1. Agriculture Employee
2. Dependent
3. Dep.
4. Dep.
5. Dep.

1. Agriculture Employee
2. Dep.
3. Dep.

1. Communication Operator
2. Dep.
3. Dep.
4. Dep.
5. Dep.

1. Equipment Mechanic
2. Dependent
3. Dep.
4. Dep.
5. Dep.

1. Mechanic
2. Dep.
3. Dep.
4. Dep.

1. Agriculture Representative

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NAMES AND MEMBERS OF FAMILIES RESIDING AT EJKINJ

1.	M/58	1.	Neba Lektak	M/40
2.	F/56	2.	Emjo Lektak	F/28
3.	M/25	3.	Timothy Lektak	M/3
4.	M/4			
1.	M/56	1.	Arisen Ankeid	M/22
2.	F/54	2.	Jone Ankeid	F/20
3.	F/18	3.	Hedmit Ankeid	M/2
4.	M/14	4.	Katina Ankeid	F/1
5.	M/12	1.	Pero Joel	M/54
6.	F/10	2.	Joni Joel	F/52
7.	F/8	3.	Banjo Joel	M/22
8.	F/13	4.	Nerro Joel	F/18
9.	F/6	5.	Ronny Joel	M/14
1.	M/22	6.	Whiterose Joel	F/12
2.	F/20	7.	Albon Joel	M/11
3.	F/4	8.	Kone Joel	F/10
4.	M/2	9.	Lita Joeli	F/8
5.	M/Infant	10.	Carilla Joel	F/6
1.	M/23	1.	Bokrok Abijae	M/20
2.	F/20	2.	Meljodrik Abijae	F/18
3.	M/2	3.	Jelji Abijae	F/1
1.	M/24	1.	Jeladrik Jakeo	M/56
2.	F/23	2.	Jakeo	F/54
3.	M/6	3.	Ohme Jakeo	F/18
1.	M/22	4.	Jatdrik Jakeo	M/11
2.	F/20	5.	Carlton Jakeo	M/5
3.	F/4	1.	Kelen Joash	M/56
4.	F/2	2.	Lurok Joash	F/54
1.	M/28	3.	Anjen Joash	F/19
2.	F/26	4.	Alsen Joash	F/12
3.	M/17	5.	Alton Joash	M/10
4.	M/19	1.	Caleb Hewia	M/51
5.	F/8	2.	Rington Hewia	M/24
6.	F/6	3.	Clara Hewia	F/22
7.	M/2	4.	Nertha Hewia	
1.	M/30	1.	Langidrik Lautokna	M/38
2.	F/24	2.	Minirok Lautokna	F/36
3.	M/2	3.	Tommy Lautokna	M/12
4.	M/13	4.	Lerok Jakeo	M/8
5.	M/4	1.	Joseph Capelle	M/28
6.	F/2	2.	Irene Capelle	F/26
7.	M/1	3.	John Capelle	M/4
		4.	Joe Junior	M/1

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NAMES AND MEMBERS OF FAMILIES RESIDING AT BIKINI (con't)

1.	M/58
2.	F/56
3.	F/14
4.	F/12
5.	F/8
6.	M/6

1.	M/28
2.	F/26
3.	F/15
4.	F/14
5.	F/12
6.	F/10
7.	F/8
8.	F/46

1.	M/26
2.	F/24
3.	F/12
4.	M/6
5.	F/5
6.	F/10

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