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FOR LUEDECKE INFO LEDOUX, PARKER FROM STARBUCK. SUBJECT IS REQUEST FOR VISIT
 OF THE FIFTH MEDICAL MISSION TO ENIWETOK AND RONGELAP. ON THE RETURN OF THE
 FIFTH MEDICAL MISSION IN MARCH 1958 IMPORTANT BIOLOGICAL DATA AND EQUIPMENT
 WERE LOST WHEN A MATS C97 TRANSPORT PLANE HAD TO JETTISON ITS CARGO, THUS

NECESSITATING A FUTURE RETURN OF THE GROUP TO RONGELAP TO COMPLETE A RESURVEY
 OF THE RONGELAP ISLAND NATIVES. PERSONNEL IN THE GROUP ARE: DR ROBERT A CONARD,
 DR J S ROBERTSON AND MR D W POTTER, ALL OF BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY. THE
 DATA WHICH WERE LOST ARE OF SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE TO WARRANT EVERY EFFORT TO RE-

SECURE WHILE THE RADIOACTIVITY OF RONGELAP AND NEARBY ISLANDS REMAINS ESSENTIALLY
 THE SAME AS DURING THE PRECEDING SURVEY. ADDITIONALLY, THE DATA IS NEEDED TO BE
 INCLUDED IN AN UP-TO-DATE REPORT ON THE HEALTH OF THE MARSHALLESE TO BE PRESENTED
 TO THE U N TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL IN JUNE, 1958. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE NEC-

CESSARY EQUIPMENT CAN BE OBTAINED BY THE SECOND WEEK IN MAY AND THE GROUP DESIRES
 TO ARRIVE WITH NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AT ENIWETOK BY 18-20 MAY. THE GROUP WOULD
 REQUIRE ONE WEEK TO 10 DAYS AT ENIWETOK AND RONGELAP IN ORDER TO COMPLETE TESTS.

THE FOLLOWING WOULD BE THE REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT THE MISSION AT ENIWETOK: A.
 USE OF ONE JTF ASSIGNED LST FOR A WEEK TO 10 DAYS. B. THE LOADING OF THE 21 TON
 STEEL ROOM ON TO THE TANK DECK OF THE LST AT ENIWETOK. C. IT WOULD BE CONVENIENT
 TO HAVE A TEMPORARY SHOWER STALL INSTALLED ON THE LST TANK DECK FORWARD OF THE

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STEEL ROOM FOR DECONTAMINATION PURPOSES. ^{IF THE DATE TIME GROUP IS QUOTED,} IF NOT PRACTICABLE, USE OF A NEARBY EXISTING SHOWER FACILITY WOULD BE REQUIRED. D. IT WOULD BE HOPED THAT THE LEVEL OF RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION OF THE SHIP NOT BE UNDULY HIGH. E. AUTHORIZATION FOR MATS TRAVEL FOR THREE MEMBERS OF THE TEAM AND APPROXIMATELY

3500 LBS OF ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT BETWEEN EICKAH AND ENIWETOK. COMMERCIAL AIR IS PLANNED FROM NEW YORK TO HAWAII. F. CLEARANCES FOR THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE TEAM TO ENTER THE ENIWETOK AREA AND INVITATIONAL TRAVEL ORDERS TO TRAVEL TO EPG. DRS CONARD AND ROBERTSON HAVE "Q" CLEARANCES AND MR POTTER HAS AN "L" CLEARANCE.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT LT COL SVEN BACH, SURGEON, AFSWP, HAS ALREADY CONTACTED CERTAIN MEMBERS OF JTF-7 TO EXPRESS AFSWP'S INTEREST IN ASSURING THE SUCCESS OF THIS MISSION. A COPY OF A LETTER FROM DR CONARD TO DR BRUNER CTM AEC, WAS FURNISHED LT COL THOMAS GIBSON, WHO WAS TO HAND-CARRY IT TO THE EPG. ELABORATION OF

THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS IS CONTAINED THEREIN. REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS, AND APPROVAL IF YOU CONSIDER FEASIBLE SO THAT DR CONARD CAN BE ADVISED ACCORDINGLY. REF: MAT: SHS.

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