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LOGISTICAL SUPPORT OF AEC BIONEDICAL RESEARCH PROGRAM IN THE PACIFIC AREA (YOUR MEMO 10/19/64, EMPC: JCW)

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SAN will plan to transfer the administration of the logistical support agreements for Kwajalein and Enivetok-Bikini to the Nevada Operations Office by July 1, 1965. We will be glad to provide NV with our procedures for the handling of these programs. In this regard, we wish to delay providing the procedures for Kwajalein support until the conclusion of the upcoming Rongelap Survey, around the end of March 1965. We believe this to be more satisfactory because we have not as yet been through a support operation with the Army MIKE-X group. Based on this experience, we will be able to batter advise NV on operating procedures. For Eniwetok-Bikini support, we will be negotiating an agreement with the Air Force in the near future, and we will advise NV of any negotiation meetings being held in order that they may be represented. NV will then be able to assume this activity with a full understanding of the contract and administrative arrangements of the contract. We will, of course, advise NV of any additional procedures developed by SAN after the negotiation and prior to the July 1, 1965 transfer date.

For the purpose of budget submission, it is suggested that SAN include the support costs for these agreements in its FY 1967 budget preparation. This appears practicable since we could make an estimate based on our cost experience to date. Copies of the proposed budget will be provided to NV. Division of Biology and Medicine could then provide the funds to NV by Financial Plan in FY 1966 and subsequently.

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C. L. Dunham, Director

As a matter of clarification, it is assumed that in the first paragraph of your letter that Eniwetok Marine Biology Laboratory means the support activity for Eniwetok-Bikini surveys and not the transfer of the contract for the operation of the Eniwetok Marine Biology Laboratory Contract No. AT(29-2)-226. As you know, costs for MATS transportation are incurred in connection with the operation of EMDL which are not paid from contract funds but by the SAN Office, budget activity 06 05 02. We believe that it is appropriate that SAN continue to pay these costs since they are incurred by EMBL. We will provide an estimate of the MATS costs in our budget submission, in order that they may be funded separately.

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