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SUBJECT: Bikini Collections

Dr. Galler has suggested that the question of support for studies of Bikini collections formerly funded by the Atomic Energy Commission be reopened. I would appreciate, therefore, a status report upon the work undertaken under the earlier negotiations and an estimate of the work remaining to be done. The earlier funding is related to the identification of organisms collected before the first atomic test. Included should be:

- 1) a statement of the collections which have been identified in whole or in part;
- 2) the persons involved in such studies;
- 3) investigations still underway;
- 4) the methodology, existing or required, for assembling information on the Bikini pre-test collections;
- 5) amount of study required to complete the project;
- 6) additional support for other activities such as improvement of housing, curation, data retrieval, etc.

I would appreciate this information before August 10.

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