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Dear Dr. Biles:

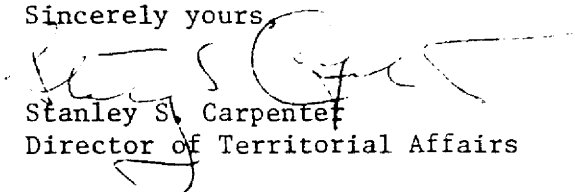
Thank you for the latest version of the Task Group report for Enewetak Atoll. We found that although the Enjibe situation was more fully discussed and various options were explored, the recommendations have not substantially changed from your report of February 1, 1974.

Although we are disappointed that the return to Enjibe appears to be postponed for an undetermined time, we defer to the technical experts as to the safety aspects.

We look forward to a final report and recommendations from the Atomic Energy Commission along with an Environmental Impact Statement which will enable the Defense Nuclear Agency, Department of the Interior, and Atomic Energy Commission to undertake the cleanup, rehabilitation and resettlement before too much more time passes.

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the Task Group and advisors for their diligent efforts put forth on this project.

Sincerely yours,


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