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Foreign Minister last evening handed me copies of following documents. Texts pouched. Delivery not (repeat not) accompanied by explanatory comment:

1. Extracts from Welfare Ministry instructions to Prefectural Governments on detection of radioactivity. These call for fish monitoring by Geiger Muller Counter with open shield at distance 10 centimeters after thorough background count for comparison purposes. Only portions of fish showing in excess of 100 counts per minute to be discarded unless general contamination cargo.

2. Document entitled "Monthly Damages Relative to Fishing Vessels Whose Catch Was Discarded After Radioactivity Inspection". Document indicates 319 vessels discarded $364,653 worth fish in March-August.

3. Document entitled "Number of Fishing Vessels and Catch Discarded in Quantity by Fishing Grounds". Document lists monthly fish discards according to origin.

4. Map of Pacific fishing grounds showing origins of discarded catch. Origin widely scattered.

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