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Reference is made to the "Report on Augkliary Froving Oround in the Kerenali Islands," dated suguet 1, 1957, prepared by Holess & Earwer, Inc., a copy of which is in your files. Additional reference is made to the now pending revised budget for 1951 and 1954. which embraces construction and testing at Elkini Atoll.

Regardless of the final scope of work to be accomplished at Bikini, if hikini is to be used at all, it is measurery that certain work at this site be initiated not later than October 1, 1952, if we are to have any hope of meeting the proposed date for Operation Castle. The items of work which we think must be accomplished during such a "beachbead" phase are as follows:

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A reocanalisance of the site must be made at an early. date by engineering and construction personnel of Rolmes & Farver and this effice. This trip will be arranged for by the field Henager, Enlantok field Office, after his arrival in the forward area about September 1, 1958.

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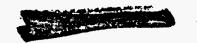
One ist should be assigned to this job to leave intertok en October 1, 1951, with an advance party of approximately 75 Holses & Herror man. This Lift would be used for bousing during the initial phase but should be assigned to the project on an intelliate basis. The initial trip from Inimatek would carry not only personnil and subsistence supplies, but a minimum amount of construction equipment and supplies, together with four Lik's and four DELI's for intre-atoli marine transportation during the beachhead phase.

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> the operational islands must be cleared and surreped rapidly to permit the location and later erection of installations such as housing, messing facilities, powr and water supplies, atc.

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- Fost channels must be lessted, sleared, and busyed, and piers and landing ramps must be constructed.
- A patisfactory source of coral aggregate must be loeated and the production of accregate initiated impediately in order to provide materials for construction of the C-47 air strip on Bikini, to begin by Rovesber 1. 1558.
- The initial force of 15 mer should construct very tenporary camp facilities to provide for the housing of approximately 175 men by Kovember 1, 1958. At such time the idle on be released from housing duty and will serve to shuttle additional supplies, materials, and personal, as required, from inimatok stoll.
- Air transportation will be modespary prior to the complatica of the Rikini air strip. During the initial period three trips per week by flying boats between Enimatok and Elkini should suffice if provision can be made to pick up sick or injered persons on relatively short motion. Such air transportation should be arranged for by CATY 139.
- inglumering design for the temporary base facilities at Bikini should be initiated intedistely so that procurement of materials may be initiated at an early date.

It is to be noted, of course, that the approved 1953 budget contains no item for work at Bikini. Your stiention is invited to the fact that the proposed Bikini construction, with the possible exception of the powerhouse on biking, is temporary and operational is nature. It is requested, therefore, that approval be given for this office to use operational funds already appropriated for the 1953 buiget for this initial beachhood phase of engineering and limited ecceptrusties. Such funds are not subject to the current appropriation rider governing the start of a new construction project.

Your concurrence in this matter is requested, and, if given, it is requested that this 130 be saked to initiate immediate action to provide for the essignment of an ist and the flying best expect during the beachhoad phase. ALCO

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