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THIS ACKNOWLEDGES YOUR MA:T:WFW/117-1, DTG 032115Z MAY 73,
ASSIGNING TO NV RESPONSIBILITY FOR A STUDY OF PROBABLE LIFE-STYLE
PATTERN(S) OF THE PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK SUBSEQUENT TO THEIR RETURN
TO ENIWETOK ATOLL.

IT IS NOTED THAT THE SUBSTANTIVE CONTENT OF SUCH A STUDY HAS BEEN
AND CONTINUES TO BE AN IMPORTANT INPUT OF THE RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY
ASSIGNED TO THIS OFFICE BY YOUR TWX MA:T:WWG:²⁵⁶⁻~~265-~~1, DTG 132155Z
SEP 72. THUS, EARLY CONSULTATION WAS INITIATED WITH DR. JACK A.
TOBIN, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR, MARSHALLS. DR. TOBIN, IN
FACT, VISITED THE SURVEY AT ENIWETOK DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF
FIELD ACTIVITY IN OCTOBER 1972, AND HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT
COMMUNICATION SINCE THAT TIME WITH THE NV SURVEY MANAGER AND THE
SURVEY TECHNICAL DIRECTOR. DR. TOBIN WILL BE A SIGNIFICANT

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CONTRIBUTOR TO THE ENIWETOK RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT. OTHER EFFORTS TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBABLE LIFE-STYLE OF THE PROSPECTIVE RETURNEES HAVE INCLUDED VISITS WITH THEIR ELECTED AND TRADITIONAL LEADERS, AND WITH THE STAFFS OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER, TTPI, AND THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS.

IT IS AND HAS BEEN PLANNED THAT THE RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT WILL EXAMINE ALL OF THE ATOLL ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCES, AND ASSESS THEIR RADIOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS IN TERMS OF WHAT IS ANTICIPATED TO BE THE LIFE-STYLE OF THE RETURNEES. THESE ASSESSMENTS WILL ASSUME NO ARBITRARY CONSTRAINTS OR RESTRICTIONS UPON HABITATION, LAND USE, INTER-ISLAND MOBILITY, ETC., ALTHOUGH THE ASSESSMENTS THEMSELVES MAY BE EXPECTED TO SUGGEST CONSTRAINTS BASED UPON RADIOLOGICAL CONDITIONS.

IN RESPONSE TO THE INSTANT DIRECTIVE, NV INTENDS TO DEVELOP A REHABILITATION MODEL, WITH SOME OPTIONAL VARIATIONS, REPRESENTING IN FAIRLY SPECIFIC TERMS WHAT IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE MOST LIKELY PATTERN OF EARLY RESETTLEMENT. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS MODEL WILL HAVE ITS PRINCIPAL UTILITY IN FOCUSING THE ATTENTION OF THE TASK GROUP ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CLEANUP UPON THOSE REQUIREMENTS FOR ACTION WHICH PERTAIN MOST DIRECTLY TO THE OBJECTIVE OF EARLY

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RESETTLEMENT. THUS IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE FORMAT AND CONTENT OF THE REHABILITATION MODEL WILL BE DEVELOPED IN CONCERT WITH THAT TASK GROUP.

ONE INHERENT DANGER IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MODEL SO DESCRIBED IS THAT IT COULD BE INTERPRETED BY THE PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK AS AN ATTEMPT TO DICTATE TO THEM A PATTERN OF UTILIZATION OF LAND AND RESOURCES WHICH THEY VIEW AS RIGHTFULLY AND TOTALLY THEIRS. SUCH A VIEW OF OUR EFFORTS WOULD INEVITABLY LEAD TO FURTHER DETERIORATION OF RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND ULTIMATELY MAKE MORE DIFFICULT THE TASKS OF CLEANUP AND REHABILITATION. IT IS WITH THIS CONCERN IN MIND THAT JUDGMENT IS RESERVED AT THIS TIME AS TO WHETHER (OR WHEN) AND IN WHAT FORUM TO APPROACH THE PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK DIRECTLY IN PURSUIT OF THIS TASK. IN THIS REGARD IT IS NOTED THAT DNA REPRESENTATIVES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE RECENTLY ENGAGED IN DISCUSSIONS AT MAJURO WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK. ALTHOUGH THIS OFFICE HAD NOT BEEN MADE AWARE OF THESE DISCUSSIONS UNTIL THE APRIL 26 MEETING IN WASHINGTON AND HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED OF THE DISCUSSION AGENDA, THE MEETING PRESUMABLY PERTAINED TO CLEANUP PLANS AND OPTIONS. FROM DR. TOBIN WE HAVE LEARNED (BY LETTER OF APRIL 25) THAT THE MEETING ON

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MAJURO WAS TERMED THE "ENIWETOK REHABILITATION PLANNING MEETING". SUCH AN UNCOORDINATED APPROACH TO THE ENIWETOK PEOPLE IS REGRETTED. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY NOT DUPLICATE THE DNA EFFORT AND MAY SHOW SOME EVIDENCE OF UNITY OF PURPOSE, IT IS REQUESTED THAT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT (INCLUDING TAPES, IF AVAILABLE) OF THE MAJURO DISCUSSIONS BE OBTAINED FROM THE USE OF THIS OFFICE IN DEVELOPING ITS APPROACH TO THE REHABILITATION MODEL.

ACTUAL PREPARATION OF THE REHABILITATION MODEL WILL BE DONE IN FOUR STEPS AS FOLLOWS:

I. CONSULTATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR HAYDN WILLIAMS AND WITH TRUST TERRITORY AND DISTRICT OFFICIALS.

A MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS WILL BE SOUGHT AT HIS EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. DR. TOBIN WILL BE CONSULTED DURING AN ALREADY SCHEDULED MEETING AT LIVERMORE, MAY 22 AND 23. INITIALLY AN EXCHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE USED TO SUPPLEMENT AN ALREADY EXTENSIVE EXCHANGE WITH TRUST TERRITORY AND OTHER DISTRICT OFFICIALS.

II. PREPARATION OF A DRAFT MODEL.

THIS MODEL, BASED UPON THE ABOVE CONSULTATIONS AS WELL AS THE DRAFT MATERIAL BEING PREPARED FOR CHAPTER II OF THE RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT, WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AS A WORKING DRAFT TO THE TASK GROUP

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ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CLEANUP AND WILL CONCURRENTLY BE CIRCULATED FOR COMMENT TO TRUST TERRITORY AND DISTRICT STAFFS.

III. COORDINATION TO OBTAIN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/CONCURRENCE OF THE ENIWETOK COUNCIL.

A VISIT WILL BE MADE TO THE MARSHALL ISLANDS DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS AT MAJURO AND, IF REQUIRED, TO THE TRUST TERRITORY HEADQUARTERS AT SAIPAN, LEADING TO EITHER A DIRECT DISCUSSION WITH ENIWETOK REPRESENTATION OR TO AUTHORITY ACTION IN THEIR BEHALF.

IV. REVISION AND PUBLICATION OF THE MODEL.

A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION OF THE FOREGOING STEPS IS THE FOLLOWING:

- I - JUNE 1, 1973
- II - JULY 1, 1973
- III - JULY 15, 1973
- IV - AUGUST 1, 1973

YOUR EARLY CONCURRENCE IN THE ABOVE PLAN IS REQUESTED. OA:RR.

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