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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM - DONALDSON EXPEDITION

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Report by the Director of the Division of Biology and Medicine  
Attached is a report of the completion of the Biological Survey of Bikini and the Survey of Eniwetok Atolls for your information and possible use as an Information Report to the Commission.

MEMORANDUM

1. Dr. Lauren E. Donaldson, Director of the Applied Fisheries Laboratory, University of Washington, Seattle, has completed the biological survey of Bikini and Eniwetok Atolls according to the plan of the Commission and reported by Info-Head 43-50 dated July 22, 1948.

2. The Donaldson expedition was carried out under a contract with the National Science Foundation and directed by George F. Rupp from the Washington Field Station, Division of Biology and Medicine. The Navy Department provided the area support facilities, the assistance of a local pilot, a liaison officer, and during the expedition, the support staff, food, fuel, and other supplies. The expedition was successful in the satisfactory completion of the expedition and the information has been all released. (See Appendix 341).

3. A preliminary report of the expedition is attached as appendix 341. Dr. F. Donaldson, Chief of the Biology Branch of the Division of Biology and Medicine will review and assist in directing the follow-up laboratory work into areas of most interest to the Commission.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- a. That the Atomic Energy Commission:
  - a. Approve the release of information to the press regarding this expedition.
  - b. Note: that the Office of Technical and Public Information should prepare a Joint-Press Release in cooperation with the Navy Department Information Office.

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