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I would appreciate also any comments you might have on Item No. 10. This refers to the claim that some of the Bikinians supposedly were on Rongelap in March 1954 and were exposed to the fallout from "Operation Bravo." The question was asked whether certain individuals possibly might have higher body counts because of this alleged exposure.

Sincerely yours,

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