

REPOSITORY DOE/PASO
COLLECTION DOE/NV
BOX No. 1236
BNL FOLDER #3
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MEDICAL PROGRAM

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May 25, 1979

To Whom It May Concern

At the request of Mr. Wayne Frank
Helms and Navon, on board representative
I have been requested to submit
a statement, before we cast off,
regarding the status of the two
patients from Rongelap we
are carrying back to their home
island:

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Both of these patients are in
the study group, one exposed (#32)
and one control, their presence on
Rongelap is necessary to complete
their BNK examinations. They

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presided themselves to me Sat
 yesterday afternoon, after we had
 complete all of our work on Ebeye
 and the examination equipment
 was packed. I therefore contacted
 Mr. Larry Edwards, DISTRICT Ebeye,
 and requested T.T. authorization.
 In addition I notified Jim
 Watt's office of the situation.
 Thereafter, I returned immediately
 to Kwajalein and contacted Mr. Mann.
 He informed me that the patients
 could not go as "passengers"
 — only as patients. I reassured

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him that these men were actually
in the BWH study group (as
patients) and we needed to
warn them either on Edge
or Kong.

Due to their late arrival our
only alternative is to carry
them with us to Kongkong and
to warn them there.

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Cost to patients.

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