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Dear Bob:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your Medical Survey of the islanders in the Marshalls afflicted by fallout radiation in the 1954 hydrogen bomb explosion at Bikini, as well as on the control group of the Marshalls on Utirik Island.

This 128-page source book of critically compiled data is certainly one of the most fascinating scientific documents we have on the chronic effects of whole body gamma radiation. I am so glad that some abnormal findings have appeared in the late follow-up years. I am sure that for a decade you must have felt thoroughly fatigued with the whole project. I am glad you have had the tenacity to see it through to some positive findings.

All the best to you.

Sincerely yours,

Bill

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