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Whereas:

- (1) the United States (AEC/ERDA) has for more than 20 years conducted a program of medical surveillance and treatment of the exposed populations of Rongelap and Utirik as well as a control population.
- (2) the United States (ERDA), with the consent of the TT Administration and the people of Rongelap and Utirik intends to continue this activity (known hereinafter as the ERDA medical program).
- (3) in the course of this activity, the United States (AEC/ERDA) medical team, with the knowledge and consent of Trust Territory authorities, has gratuitously furnished a degree of general medical care to the people of Rongelap and Utirik.
- (4) all of the people of both atolls have been adversely affected socially, economically and psychologically by U. S. (AEC/ERDA) activities.
- (5) the people of both atolls have requested that ERDA expand and improve the medical care of all of the people of their islands.
- (6) general medical care of the people of the Marshall Islands is a responsibility of the administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Now therefore:

The United States (ERDA) is prepared to assist the Trust Territory Administration in the discharge of its health care responsibilities to the people of Rongelap and Utirik. It is agreed that this assistance will be provided in response to Trust Territory requests and may include the following:

- a. ERDA will invite TT medical personnel (medical officers, nurses, health aides, technicians) to participate in the ERDA medical

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visits in order to facilitate expanded programs such as well baby clinics, family planning, etc., and will assist with logistic support of these activities.

- b. ERDA will assist in arranging for additional U. S. medical doctors to participate in the ERDA medical team visits, as may be required to assist the TTPI in providing general medical care to the people of Rongelap and Utirik.
- c. ERDA will, to the extent operationally feasible, extend the duration of its medical team visits to Rongelap and Utirik to accommodate the needs of the Trust Territory medical program.