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Hon. Elbert D. Thomas High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands 3845 Kilauea Avenue Honolulu 16, T. H.

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My dear Mr. High Commissioner:

We have discussed your letter of February 5 regarding Ailinginae Atoll with a representative of the Atomic Energy Commission. We were advised that AEC will ask CINCPACFLT to define the Danger Area to exclude this atoll.

It might be well also to advise the Fikini people that it is unlikely that they will be able to return to their atoll in the foreseeable future. It is hoped that steps can be taken to facilitate their readjustment and that immediate steps will also be taken looking toward the settlement of claims resulting from the Atomic Energy Commission's use of both Eniwetok and Bikini.

Sincerely yours,

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/s/ James P. Davis James P. Davis

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