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Mr. Gordon Dean, Chairman  
Atomic Energy Commission

My dear Mr. Dean:

This will confirm our conversation this afternoon regarding the plight of the Bikinians who are now living on Kili Island. We understand that your agency will undertake to have a resurvey made to determine whether Bikini Atoll is now safe for habitation. Also, that you will advise us of the island characteristics required for possible future experiments in atomic fission, in order to avoid use of Bikini again for such purposes.

We, on our part, will attempt to arrange for a specialist to live on Kili for several months in order to analyze the problems of adjustment being encountered by the people. We will also endeavor to suggest for your consideration possible places under United States jurisdiction which might be suitable as a site for future atomic experiments.

We deeply appreciate your interest and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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/s/ James P. Davis

James P. Davis  
Director

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