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TO: Dr. J. W. Mountin, Asst. Surgeon General  
Chief, Bureau of State Services  
Room 5006, Federal Security Building South  
Washington 25, D. C.

SUBJECT: Report of Walrus Mortality on St. Lawrence Island

I am sending you the report of investigation which resulted from a newspaper report early in November stating that 200 dead walrus had been washed ashore on the north coast of St. Lawrence Island. As a result of our investigation, it is quite clear that the walrus were killed by an atomic explosion occurring in Siberia. I feel you should have this information in the event that the Washington office is contacted for further information about this incident. It is very likely that we will be requested by the Air Force Intelligence to carry out further investigations, particularly in regard to determining the locality of the explosion.

Dr. Rausch had a conference with Colonel McDuff on Saturday, February 2, and he was advised that this information has been classified as secret. Therefore, I am sending it to you with proper precautions.

Ed Blomquist /s/

Edward T. Blomquist  
Medical Officer in Charge

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