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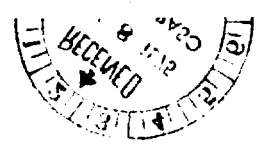
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 ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT YET HAVE FORMAL APPROVAL FOR THE BIKINI SURVEY, I AM OPTIMISTIC ABOUT GETTING IT STARTED IN LATE MAY. ANTICIPATING A FAVORABLE DECISION, I SHOULD LIKE TO TENTATIVELY SCHEDULE THE PRELIMINARY VISIT TO BIKINI WHICH WE DISCUSSED AT OUR LAST MEETING. DATES ARE TENTATIVE BUT ARE THE MOST LIKELY FROM OUR PRESENT KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT AND SHIP AVAILABILITY. ITINERARY (ALL TIMES AND DATES MAJURO TIME)
 MAY 20 - KRIS MORRIS AND I ARRIVE MAJURO ON AIR MIKE FROM KWAJALEIN. CONFER WITH YOU AND YOUR STAFF THROUGH MAY 22.
 MAY 23 - WITH YOU AND TONY TRAVEL BY AIR MIKE TO KWAJALEIN.
 MAY 24 - (NOTE THAT THIS IS FRIDAY MAY 23 KWAJALEIN TIME). VERY EARLY MORNING TRAVEL BY C-54 TO BIKINI, ACCOMPANIED BY ANY AVAILABLE

SUBJECT FILE

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 MEMBERS OF THE KILI COUNCIL AND OTHERS YOU MAY INVITE. I UNDERSTAND YOU WILL ARRANGE THIS CHARTER WITH COL. RUSSELL (AND INVITE HIM, IF YOU WISH). WE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE AT LEAST FOUR HOURS TO MEET WITH THE PEOPLE ON BIKINI. THUS WOULD HOPE YOU COULD ARRANGE TIMELY BOAT TRANSPORTATION FROM ENYU TO BIKINI ISLAND AND RETURN. THEN RETURN BY C-54 TO KWAJALEIN THE SAME NIGHT. WITH YOUR PERMISSION, KRIS MORRIS WOULD STAY ON BIKINI UNTIL ARRIVAL OF OUR SURVEY VESSEL APPROXIMATELY THREE DAYS LATER.
 MAY 27 - SURVEY VESSEL ARRIVES BIKINI.
 MAY 28 - SURVEY COMMENCES.
 JUNE 8 - LAST SURVEY DAY.
 JUNE 9 - ENTIRE PARTY DEPARTS.
 I TENTATIVELY PLAN TO RETURN TO BIKINI ON THE SURVEY SHIP MAY 27 AND TO REMAIN FOR ABOUT THE FIRST FIVE DAYS OF THE SURVEY. IF I AM NOT ABLE TO DO THAT, AND IN ANY EVENT, AFTER MY DEPARTURE, JOHN STEWART WILL BE SURVEY PARTY LEADER.
 REQUEST THE FOLLOWING:
 1. YOUR CONCURRENCE IN ABOVE TENTATIVE PLAN.
 2. AVAILABILITY ON BIKINI OF A BACKHOE (OR EQUIVALENT) AND

BEST COPY AVAILABLE



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OPERATOR SUITABLE FOR EXCAVATING A SMALL NUMBER OF SKIMMING WELLS FOR GROUNDWATER SAMPLING AND FOR TAKING SOIL SAMPLES AT DEPTH IN SOME LOCATIONS.

3. PERMISSION TO REMOVE RESEARCH QUANTITIES OF SOIL, VEGETATION, WATER AND MARINE AND LAND ANIMALS.
4. PERMISSION FOR THE SURVEY VESSEL (USNS CHAUVENET), AN OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH VESSEL, TO OPERATE IN AND AROUND BIKINI AND PERFORM OCEANOGRAPHIC MAPPING AS WELL AS SURVEY SUPPORT.
5. PERMISSION TO OPERATE US AIR FORCE HELICOPTERS OVER AND AROUND BIKINI ATOLL AND TO LAND, AS OPERATIONALLY REQUIRED, ON ENYU ISLAND OR, IN EMERGENCY, ON OTHER ISLANDS.
6. PERMISSION TO STATION RESEARCH, SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL ASHORE ON BIKINI AND ENYU ISLANDS AND OTHERS AS REQUIRED.
7. PERMISSION TO OPERATE NECESSARY ELECTRONIC NAVIGATIONAL AIDS, LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE COMMUNICATIONS, TO INCLUDE AIRBORNE, SHIPBORNE AND LAND BASED EQUIPMENT.

THE PERMISSION REQUESTED IN ITEMS 3 THRU 7 ABOVE IS OF COURSE FOR THE DURATION OF THE SURVEY (NOMINALLY 2 WEEKS).

EVERY ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO AVOID INTERFERENCE WITH OR INCONVENIENCE

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TO THE BIKINI COMMUNITY OR DAMAGE TO CROPS, BUILDING, ETC.

IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WOULD PLAN TO NOT CONDUCT GROUND SURVEY WORK ON EITHER INHABITED ISLAND (ENYU, BIKINI) OR TO FLY AT LOW ALTITUDE OVER EITHER OF THESE ISLANDS ON SUNDAY. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE, HOWEVER, AS TO WHETHER IT WOULD BE OFFENSIVE TO THE BIKINI PEOPLE TO HAVE US CONTINUE SURVEY WORK ON AND OVER THE OTHER ISLANDS (AND PERHAPS TO LAND FOR REFUELING OR MAINTENANCE ON ENYU) ON SUNDAY.

FINALLY, IN VIEW OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF OUR PEOPLE INVOLVED (ABOUT 50) WE PLAN TO QUARTER AND FEED ALL OF OUR PARTY ABOARD SHIP; THUS I HOPE THAT WE WILL PLACE NO EXCESSIVE DEMAND ON YOUR RESOURCES.

I WILL CONFIRM OR ADJUST THESE DATES AS SOON AS WE HAVE FORMAL APPROVAL TO PROCEED, AND AT THAT TIME WILL REQUEST YOUR ASSISTANCE WITH HOTEL RESERVATION, ETC. MEANWHILE, WOULD APPRECIATE AN EARLY REPLY AND WILL LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU. YOKWE

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