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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

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Dear Mr. Seaborg:

Enclosed for your information is a copy of my letter of today's date to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget regarding Bikini. Also enclosed is a copy of our proposed Bikini re-settlement program which incorporates as an integral part the estimates for cleaning up the island which were prepared for us by your agency.

Before proceeding further, let me emphasize our appreciation for the full, complete, and whole-hearted cooperation and assistance of the many people on the Commission staff who have been involved in the Bikini matter. They have been unstinting in their efforts in every respect.

The implementation of the program will require our continued cooperation, but I am certain that it will be possible to make a substantial start on re-settlement during the year ahead.

Sincerely yours,

(sg.) David S. Black

(Acting Secretary of the Interior)

Hon. Glenn T. Seaborg
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Washington, D.C. 20545

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