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DRAFT WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT ON BIKINI AND STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN SEABORG

Attached are copies of a draft memo from Secretary Udall to the President concerning return of the Bikini Islanders to their atoll and a draft White House announcement of this action (Tab A). Also attached is a proposed statement by Chairman Seaborg on behalf of the Commission which would be issued after the White House has announced the decision to return the Bikinians (Tab B).

The Department of the Interior hopes to transmit the memorandum to the President this week.

The draft of the Interior Department memo, the proposed White House announcement, and the proposed AEC statement have been reviewed by the Chairman, and by the Office of the Assistant General Manager for Research and Development and the Divisions of Biology and Medicine and Operational Safety.

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Tab A

Tab B

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