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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION FROM SENATOR BORJA

The enclosed letter is a response by Chairman Ray to receipt of the enclosed report from Senator Olympio T. Borja of the Congress of Micronesia. The response is offered on behalf of Dr. Ray, Dr. Bruner and Dr. Larson.

The report is concerned with a request for compensation of inhabitants of the Rongelap and Utirik Atolls who were exposed to fallout after the March 1, 1954, thermonuclear test conducted on Bikini Atoll. The reply to Senator Borja indicates that AEC is preparing comments about the report for the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives at the request of the Committee staff.

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