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RECEIVING STATION WITH LOUDSPEAKERS WITH WHICH THE NATIVES WILL LISTEN TO THE WEEKLY MARSHALLESE BROADCASTS

WHICH ARE TRANSMITTED FROM OUR LOCAL STATION WXLG AND WHICH IS UTILIZED FOR EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES

IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF NATIVES OF THESE ATOLLS. OF BIKINI WERE PERSONNALY TOLD BY ME IN MUCH DETAIL OF THE

FORTHCOMING EXPERIMENTS. AFTER ALL PLANS HAD BEEN EXPLAINED TO THEM AND ALL PERSONAL QUESTIONS ANSWERED THEIR LOCAL

CHIEFTAIN REFERRED TO AS KING JUDA AROSE AND STATED THAT THE NATIVES OF BIKINI WERE VERY PROUD TO BE A PART OF THIS

WONDERFUL UNDERTAKING AND IF IT WAS THE DESIRE OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR THEM TO LIVE ELSEWHERE THEY

WOULD BE VERY HAPPY TO DO SO. WHEN TOLD THEY WERE FREE TO MOVE TO ANY OF THE ISLANDS IN THE MARSHALL GROUP THAT

THEY MIGHT CHOOSE OUTSIDE THE DANGER AREA. THE 12 HEADS OF FAMILIES (KNOW AS ALEPS) CAST A VOTE AND 9 OF THEM FAVORED

RONGERIK. UPON FURTHER CONSULTATION THE REMAINING 3 "ALEPS" DECIDED THEY TOO WOULD CHOOSE RONGERIK SINCE IT WAS THE

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