Dear Admiral Doolan,

In forwarding Jerry's letter along to you, I should like to take the opportunity of adding a few comments. You are, I am sure, aware that a study of the feasibility of establishing a weather station on Enogai Island was made in June of 1953 as a consequence of the desire of your staff weather officer to locate an observation station there for studying. The study did not consider the use of Enogai Atoll as a firing site, though such a use had been suggested informally by Dr. John Isensee and others during Castle. Some of the information from the 1953 study is, however, pertinent despite its limited scope.

Neither Bill Ogle nor I have discussed the contemplated use of Enogai with Jerry but we expect to do so before long. In the meantime, last week in Honolulu, I talked informally with Commander Palmer about a weather study for the Enogai site.

The establishment of firing capability at Enogai has several attractive features, and a study of the problem is certainly well justified. The actual use of Enogai will affect the utilization of the other EGC sites, and I believe the implications of its use must be thoroughly examined before a decision is made. Such considerations do not, of course, reduce the desirability of a feasibility study.

Sincerely,

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