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H. D. Bruner, M.D., Technical Assistant
to Commissioner Dixy Lee Ray
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D. C. 20545

Dear Dave:

Just a note to accompany the attached letter from Dr. Ramos. We have been informed by our shipping personnel that all the equipment (chest counter) purchased by the JEN is now in Spain. I will write Dr. Ramos for confirmation. We have all the equipment that AEC/DBER purchased, except one drying oven, crated and ready to ship. All we need is the very elusive import license that Mr. Conde has been working on for a long time.

The flood mentioned in Dr. Ramos' letter sounds like a real "gulley washer" and might have some interesting effects on the Palomares situation.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Chester R. Richmond
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Enc. a/s

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Dear Dr. Richmond:

Our problems with the customs are very difficult and time consuming. It is very hard to await so long time to get a import licence but I think that Mr. R. Conde is in the last step of the process.

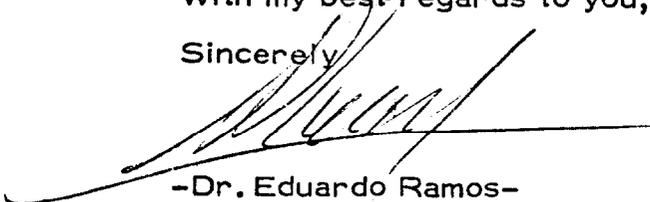
We are always ready to receive your visit. Always is it agreeable and it will be very happy for ^{us} to have you here some days. I had thought that Phil should come after all the items of the counter be here. Until now only we have received the echoencephalograph. So if you find better for your plans to come in last February, for me it is indifferent. The most important is to meet you again and to discuss with you our data and the future plans of Indalo Project.

In the last time there was a great disaster in a great area of the Sudest of Spain. Perhaps you will have read it in the newspapers. The important for us was that the Almanzora River, which run near Palomares suddenly increased its flow and flooded several hundreds of squared kilometers, raising crops and houses, bridges and everything. I was there past month and I realize how much the people has loss. We have sampled soils and tomatoes and its are now in process of analysis.

Please tell me when you had scheduled your travel in order to make the hotel reservations and to prepare our data. Also if you came alone or with your wife.

With my best regards to you, your family and the good friends

Sincerely,


-Dr. Eduardo Ramos-

Inspector General de Protección y Seguridad.