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1. Text signed statement Dr. Tsuzuki given English language ASAHI September 29 follows:

"Unfortunately of Number 5 FUKURYU MARU has died. Autopsy was performed on his body from night of September 23 through morning of September 24.

"All vital organs of body including lungs, heart, liver, spleen, and kidneys were affected in varying degrees. It is surprising that he survived so long with such changes in vital organs.

"Academically speaking many reasons can probably be given as being responsible for such condition. For example as reported in some quarters secondary effects of blood transfusion may have brought about lever ailment. But judging from fact that various internal organs were affected, I personally feel that harm done by Bikini ashes in March cannot be ignored.

"However I cannot comply with request if asked to produce academic grounds for my belief. Although investigations are still going on we have been able to know through autopsy on something of ailments suffered for first time by man, things which we had never learned about or seen before.

"I am burning with academic hope, however vague, we may be able to obtain knowledge of new sickness.

"I believe such knowledge is necessary and valuable for future treatment of remaining crew members of FUKURYU MARU"

2. Summary discussion of autopsy results by Tsuzuki September 29 with ABCC hematologist Dr. Wald pouched.

3. AEC Lt. Col. Hansen has not yet obtained specimens for analysis but Embassy will forward report when available.

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