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Mr. Gerard Piel, Publisher
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Dear Mr. Piel:

Here is the information you requested on the pace of atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons. I am also enclosing the fourth Federal Radiation Council Report and a copy of the testimony I gave before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in support of the test ban treaty.

You may be able to get figures for the rise in background radiation since 1945 from the Citizens Committee for Nuclear Information in Saint Louis.

With best regards,

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