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PETITION FROM MR. JONATHAN M. WEISGALL, COUNSEL FOR THE PEOPLE OF
BIKINI, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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30 April 1984

The Secretary
Trusteeship Council
United Nations
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Sir,

In confirmation of our telephone conversation last week, I am writing pursuant to rule 80 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, to request the Council to permit representatives of the people of Bikini atoll to address the Trusteeship Council as petitioners at its upcoming session, commencing on 14 May at the United Nations.

The Bikini delegation will consist of the following representatives:

Tomaki Juoa	Mayor, Bikini/Kili Council
Senator Henchi Balos	Elected representative of the people of Bikini to the Marshall Islands <u>Nitijela</u>
Nathan Note	Scribe, Bikini/Kili Council
Johnny Johnson	Treasurer, Bikini/Kili Council
Ralph Waltz	Bikini Liaison Officer
Jonathan M. Weisgall	Counsel, People of Bikini

The Bikinians would very much like to appear as petitioners on Wednesday, 16 May. A delegation of Bikini leaders has been in the United States since 24 April, and the group would like to return to the Marshall Islands as quickly as possible. The delegation's work in Washington will be completed by 8 May, but I have asked the group to stay on, at substantial cost, for an additional eight days in order to appear at the Trusteeship Council meeting.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience concerning the Bikinians' appearance.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Jonathan M. WEISGALL
