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George Balazs Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology P. O. Box 1346 Kaneohe, HI 96744

Dear George,

Enclosed is a copy of the survey report that I promised to give you.

George, while we have discussed the results of the SPC/ NMFS Marine Turtle Workshop and how successful I thought it turned out to be, I have not had a chance to formally thank you for your contribution to and participation in the workshop. I am convinced that much of the success of the workshop was due to the presence of you, Archie, and Peter. Your collective expertise certainly guided the workshop towards what I feel will be the framework of future research on marine turtles in the Pacific Islands area.

I look forward to continued association with you to find out everything that one wants to know about marine turtles but was afraid to ask.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Shomura

Director, Honolulu Laboratory

Enclosure

cc: Rene Grandperrin