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Dear Dr. Emory:

Pursuant to our discussions on Thursday, January 12th, I am sending you a preliminary draft outline for our Necker Island book project. Please feel free to make modifications or additions to this material as you may see fit. When completed, I believe that our next step would be to transmit the outline to the editorial board of the Bishop Museum Press for consideration and recommendations. Hopefully they will see the interest and value for such a general audience publication.

I look forward to hearing from you at the appropriate time.

Sincerely,

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DRAFT OUTLINE AND PROSPECTUS FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A GENERAL INTEREST
BOOKLET ON NECKER ISLAND, NORTHWESTERN HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

submitted to

Dr. Kenneth Emory
Bernice P. Bishop Museum

by

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Central Theme: Archaeological and ecological aspects of Necker Island
presented for assimilation by the general public

Possible Title: Necker - The Hawaiian Island of Mystery

Format: Soft bound, measuring approximately 6½" x 9" and consisting of
not more than 50 pages; amply illustrated with both color and
black and white photography derived from recent trips to Necker
and historical materials on file at the Bishop Museum

Appropriate Publisher: Bishop Museum Press

Subject Matter to be Covered:

- I. Geology of Necker - Formation and Present Status
- II. Historical Discovery
 - A. Visitations and findings
 - B. Designation as a unit of the Hawaiian Islands National Wildlife Refuge
- III. Archaeological Investigations and Findings
 - A. Tanager Expedition
 - B. Dr. Emory's Bishop Museum Publication (1928)
- IV. Ecological Investigations and Findings
 - A. Seabirds, monk seals and green sea turtles
- V. Interpretations
 - A. Position and importance in the Hawaiian culture
 - B. Unanswered questions