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## I. Trail

The New York Office has informed us that approximately 68,000 grams of platinum were recovered from spent Trail Catalyst under Baker & Co. contract. It is NYOO's desire to hold 22,500 grams for anticipated Hanford's new catalyst requirement and turn the remainder to platinum stockpile. This arrangement would be satisfactory if Hanford has assurance that additional platinum could be made available in the future for any possible Trail expansion or contract renewal beyond the end of calendar year 1954.

## II. Universities & Colleges

The Applied Fisheries Laboratory has agreed to supply a team of approximately six men to conduct a biological survey of the Eniwetok area both before and after the forthcoming test this fall. The specific arrangements have been made thru the Los Alamos Office and the Division of Biology and Medicine.

## III. Health Physics and Biology

Plans for holding a joint meeting of the Biology and Medicine Program Directors and Industrial Physicians at Hanford on October 13 - 14 have largely been completed. It is planned to center the meeting around biological studies of plutonium and tritium toxicities.

The annual meeting of Northwest research contract personnel will be held in Pullman, Washington over the period October 23 and 24th. It is planned to include some technical papers from Hanford unclassified research activities.