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**MEETING WITH THE ARMY GENERAL COUNSEL AND DEPUTY SURGEON GENERAL  
WITH REGARD TO PLUTONIUM IN PEOPLE**

At our request, Steve Greenleigh and I met with the Army General Counsel, Robert W. Berry, and the Deputy Surgeon General of the Army, Brig. Gen. R. W. Green. I covered the essential points - injections during World War II by Military Surgeons; the fact that four of the injectees were still alive and had been re-examined last year; that an additional body had been exhumed for examination; that the Commission was pulling together all of the existing facts on this matter; that the Commission had taken steps to stop further experimentation without informed consent; and that the feeling of the Commission at this moment was that the individuals still alive and the relatives of the deceased should probably be informed of the fact that they had been injected with plutonium toward the end of World War II.

Many questions on specific details were raised by the Surgeon General and the Army General Counsel but these were largely pushed aside by the statement that we were attempting to gather facts and that the purpose of our visit was simply to inform them of what we were doing and to alert them to the possible subsequent involvement of the Army because of the Manhattan District involvement during World War II.

General Green was considerably concerned that no good was to be achieved in his view by surfacing a whole series of issues when nothing could in fact be done at this point in time with regard to changing those issues and that the patients or their relatives might in fact be worse off because of the public social or psychological trauma.

The Army agreed to cooperate with us in our attempts to uncover information that might exist.

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