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Northern Region.

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Acting Director General.

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Dr De Villiers & I discussed this at the meeting at the Skyline, Jan 27.

The long-term effects of As⁺ toxicity may not become apparent for 15 - 20 years, or longer; e.g. multiple skin cancers.

In approx another 5 years some of the inhabitants will have been exposed to As⁺ for approx the required length of time, when a follow-up study may be in order.

In the meantime, Dr De Villiers' report can only be a tentative, descriptive one of methods of procedure and of some of the observations made. He has been in contact with Dr Butler.
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① Bill - I was talking to Dr. de Villiers regarding some other issues in P.S.H. & this came up. *W.*

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