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Professor E. O. Lawrence Director, Rediation Laboratory University of California Berkeley, California BEST COPY AVAILABLE

Subject: RELEASE OF INFORMATION ON PACIFIC PROVING GROUNDS

Dear Professor Lawrence:

Quoted below for your information is a teletype from the office of the General Manager of the Commission regarding the release of information on activities at the Pacific Proving Grounds:

"For your information and guidance the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission has not issued any information recently on activities or organisations related to the Pacific Proving Grounds.

The last official public statement on this subject was issued in the 14th Seminmual Report and prior to that expansion of the PPG was aumounced on April 2, 1953 (Ralease No. 478). No information beyond these official statements is approved.

"There should be no comment by AEC or contractor personnel on news stories speculating on time or type of tests.

"You will be furnished with any future official statements on the test progress."

Sincerely yours,

J. Paherty

OC: Mr. V. B. Reynolds