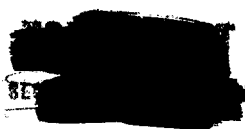


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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Psychological Exploitation of  
Certain Thermonuclear Developments

REFERENCE: Memo for Secretaries of State and Defense  
from Executive Secretary, NSC, same subject,  
dated November 10, 1952, enclosing memo from  
Chairman, AEC, to Executive Secretary, NSC,  
dated November 7, 1952\*

The Acting Secretary of State concurred in the draft announcement by the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, enclosed with the reference memorandum. The Secretary of Defense did not concur, but stated: "I continue to feel that any announcement at this time is unwise as it may make difficult appropriate investigation and punishment of breaches of security."

Accordingly, the views of the members of the Special Committee of the National Security Council on Atomic Energy regarding the proposed announcement have been submitted to the President for his consideration.

The President has this date approved the issuance by the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission of the announcement as proposed in the reference memorandum.

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BY AUTHORITY OF Admiral A. S. G. 3-24-65  
BY [Signature] DATE 3-7-66

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cc: The Secretary of State  
The Secretary of Defense

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