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5. Status of Test Program

18th AEC-MLC Meeting 11-5-47

General McCormack reported on a meeting this morning attended by Secretary Marshall, Secretary Forrestal, Lt. Gen. Hull, Dr. Bush, and Mr. Lilienthal, General McCormack, and Captain Russell for the Commission. A brief report to the President on the forthcoming test program had been discussed and a general presentation of the plans for the program had been given by General Hull. During the discussion, Dr. Bush had stated that in his opinion, long-range detection was so important that the test should be postponed if the Air Force could not be ready to take advantage of it.

General Brereton, General Groves, and Mr. Lilienthal stressed that the test schedule must be adhered to.