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Brig. Gen. James McCormack, Jr.

1. Renegotiation of General Electric Contract

The Secretary reported that the Deputy General Manager had discussed with the Commissioners contract provisions (see AEC 371/2) being considered by the staff and General Electric Company representatives in negotiations for renewal of the General Electric Company contract for operation of the Hanford installation.

2. UK Request for Canadian Plutonium

The Secretary reported for insertion in minutes of the present meeting

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approval of revision of the schedule for Operation WINDSTORM.

At this point Messrs. Salisbury, Weil, and Staebler entered the meeting.

4. Project GABRIEL

With reference to discussion at Meeting 565, Mr. Murray said he felt it important that the report on Project GABRIEL be revised and brought up-to-date as soon as possible. Dr. Warren pointed out that data obtained at the recent RANGER and GREENHOUSE tests would soon be available and he suggested that submission of a full report be deferred pending their analysis and that an interim re-evaluation be made in about three weeks. After further discussion, the Commission:

a. NOTED that the staff would undertake a re-evaluation of Project GABRIEL, regarding bomb debris hazards, based on the most current data and submit a definitive report for the information of the Commission on about September 1; and

b. NOTED that an interim re-evaluation of Project GABRIEL would be furnished the Commission as soon as possible.

At this point Mr. Marshall and General McCormack entered.

5. Underground Test

General McCormack reported that at a recent meeting at Los Alamos

At this point Messrs. Marshall, Mullenbach, and Warren left the meeting. Messrs. Derry and Campbell entered during discussion of the following items.

7. AEC 439 - Preparation for New Plutonium Production Facilities

Under consideration was a report by the Directors of Reactor Development, Production, and Military Application. Mr. Smyth said he had found the subject paper a useful interim report but questioned the need for its recommendation proposing that future development studies of production-type reactors give greater consideration to fissionable material production with lesser emphasis on the production of useful power -- goals which had previously been approved by the Commission (see AEC 152/16). With reference to the recent discussion with the Reactor Subcommittee of the Joint Congressional Committee regarding steps which might be taken to increase plutonium -- U-235 production ratios, he expressed concern lest preoccupation with present needs for fissionable materials and means to increase production in the shortest possible time, unduly influence decisions as to the reactor program of the future. He urged that within the schedule of priorities already established for the reactor development program (see AEC 152/16), studies leading to improved reactor designs of all sorts be continued. Mr. Glennan concurred but said he felt that in the

DEFERRED action on the recommendation of AEO 457 pending discussion during an executive session.

Secretary

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