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TO : K. E. Fields, General Manager

DATE: June 1, 1956

FROM : W. B. McCool, Secretary

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SUBJECT: RECAP OF MEETING 1205 - 10:00 a.m., FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 1956

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General Manager's Monthly Report

Commissioners' Suggestions and Requests

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- Operations Analysis - Mr. Libby suggested that CIA be informed of AEC's estimate of the efficiency of the British gaseous diffusion plants. (Reichardt and Quackenboss)
- Raw Materials - The Commissioners had no objection to the purchase of 200 tons of U₃O₈ from Australia. (J. Johnson)
- Reactor Development - Mr. Libby requested a study on the decontamination and recovery problems which would result from reactor accident. (Davis) *Coordinate with Price.*
- Biology and Medicine - Mr. Strauss inquired about a report that a Japanese fisherman, who was outside the danger area of Operation REDWING, had developed blisters. (Dunham)
- Information Services - Mr. Strauss suggested the issuance of a press release setting forth statistics on the news coverage of Operation REDWING. (Salisbury)

Mr. Salisbury reported that the Atoms for Peace exhibit will be on display in the Munitions Building during the week of June 11.
- Finance - Mr. Libby requested a study comparing the unit costs of the most efficient reactor at Hanford with an average reactor at Savannah River. (Burrows and ~~Davis~~)
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- Inspection - The Commissioners had no objection to Mr. Nelson's plans for the licensee inspection program. (Nelson)
- Military Application - General Starbird will be asked to brief Mr. Murray on this report. (Done)

Mr. Strauss inquired about the meaning of the words "war reserve" in this report. (Starbird)

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Other Business

1. Announcement of Tests - The Commissioners requested consideration of a draft press release ~~announcing future~~ shots at REDWING. (Salisbury)
REGARDING
2. Agenda for Week of June 4 - Discussed and approved.
3. ^{12/11-}AEC High Altitude Shot - Mr. Libby requested that General Starbird discuss this paper with him on Monday morning.

Items of Information

1. Mr. Murray said he would like to see the JCAE letter to the President.
2. Mr. Murray's motion re: discussion with the President was not accepted. Mr. Strauss requested a report on the status of DOD requirements for a large weapon. (Starbird)
3. Mr. Murray's motion re: reconsideration of observers for future large shots at REDWING was not accepted.
4. Mr. Murray's request for information presented the Pope.
5. Mr. Strauss' January 19 memorandum re: disclosure of information.
6. Arrangements are to be made for early discussion with Senator Pastore of power bilateral agreements.
7. Mr. Libby's suggestion that AEC purchase an airplane.

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