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DRAFT STATEMENT ON OPERATION REDWING PROGRESS

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The General Manager has directed us to circulate to you for approval and/or comment the attached statement pursuant to the Commission discussion in Meeting 1205 on June 1, 1956 regarding public announcement of tests.

It should be noted that due to the lack of a spot news peg on which to hinge issuance of this statement on our own motion, we propose that it be issued in response to inquiry that may be expected before long when another detonation becomes evident outside the Proving Ground.

One inquiry would then justify our providing the statement to the three wire services etc. By this means we would effectively make a sort of self-serving progress report while not breaking with our policy of not announcing or confirming any shots other than Lacrosse and Cherokee.

The need for this statement will shortly be imminent and before issuing it we are obliged to check with DOD, State and USIA and to inform OCB and JTF-7. Therefore, we would appreciate your earliest possible action.

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