

*MARA-7 Redwing*



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MAT:RIS  
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Dear Admiral Hanlon:

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I refer to your letter of February 8, 1956, proposing the schedule and coverage of operational immediate messages to keep the Atomic Energy Commission informed of significant developments during the operational phase of REDWING.

The schedule of pre-shot and post-shot messages, with provision for additional messages to inform us of any unexpected developments, as indicated in the last paragraph of your letter, appears to be entirely adequate for our requirements. With reference to the coverage of these messages, I believe that certain parts of the format of the pre-shot and post-shot messages require amplification in order that the desires of the Atomic Energy Commission are fully understood.

Part I of the post-shot messages, in addition to providing a yield estimate, should also include other pertinent information indicating performance of the test device.

Part IV of the pre-shot messages and part VII of the post-shot messages should include when applicable the following information concerning the safety aspects of the operation and possible public release material:

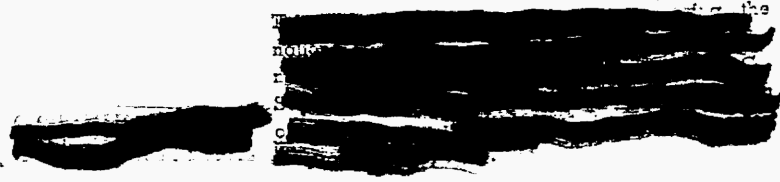
- a. Air and sea search of the danger area prior to each shot — details of any search report other than "all clear" should be transmitted at once, to include location, type of craft, nationality, action taken, etc.
- b. Monitoring stations — details of departures from Redsafe plan, including manned and automatic monitors.
- c. Aerial monitoring and cloud tracking flights — details of departures from Redsafe plan.
- d. Cloud path — details of predicted path and deviations of actual path from that predicted.

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- e. Principal data on the amount and distribution of fall-out, including readings from the aerial surveys and from the ground monitoring stations.
- f. Emergency plans -- details of implementation of emergency plans, such as emergency evacuations.
- g. Advance information of possible problems or impending situations which may require action by the Atomic Energy Commission.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED] Chairman

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