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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Your letter of April 9, 1959, in answer to my letter of March 7, 1959, nominated Brig. Gen. A. D. Starbird as the AEC representative.

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I have promulgated the inclosed memorandum addressed to the Commander, Joint Task Force Seven and the Chief, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project. Would you make it available for General Starbird's use?

I would suggest that General Starbird establish contact with the other two representatives to arrange for the necessary meetings and study that they have been asked to produce.

Sincerely yours,

*Donald A. Sharles*

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Honorable John A. McCone  
Chairman  
Atomic Energy Commission

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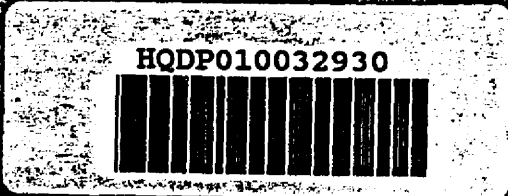
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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
Atomic Energy Special Weapons Project

SUBJECT:

Future Test Operations (U)

REFERENCES:

- Reference (a) is a memorandum from Deputy Secretary of Defense dated 7 March 1959.
- Reference (b) is a memorandum from Deputy Secretary of Defense dated 7 April 1959.
- Reference (c) is a memorandum from Deputy Secretary of Defense dated 17 March 1959.

From NMB-5

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By Reference (a) the Secretary of Defense proposed that the Atomic Energy Commission designate a representative to a study group to study the future test operations by which military responsibilities for participation in the test program will be effectively related to AEC activities. The study group is to report to the proper organization to conduct the study and to report to the Atomic Energy Commission. The study group is to report to the Atomic Energy Commission.

By Reference (b) the Commission, Atomic Energy Commission, endorsed the proposal of the Secretary of Defense and designated Brig. General Albert J. ... to the AEC representative.

By Reference (c) the Secretary of Defense (Atomic Energy) ... bearing an organization and ... the initial guidance for the group.

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The Group will report their findings and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for further consideration. It is recommended that the findings of the Group will be considered by the Atomic Energy Policy Council prior to approval by the Secretary of Defense.

It is recommended that you arrange to keep a designated representative of the Joint Chiefs of Staff informed of the progress of the negotiations and inform him of the schedule for the group meetings so that he may attend if he wishes. This will serve to expedite JCS consideration of the recommendations of the study group and will provide a mechanism for the Joint Chiefs of Staff to provide the group such guidance as they consider appropriate.

The Group may organize in any way they see fit to accomplish their task.

MAY 1 1952  
Signed  
DONALD A. QUARLES  
Deputy  
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CC: Chief, AFOAT  
AEG (Gen Starbird)



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