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MEMORANDUM for the Chairman

Through the General Manager

Subject: VERY HIGH ALTITUDE TEST

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On February 20, 1957 the Commission approved the recommendation of ABC 952/4 "that an early test not be conducted but that attention be devoted to implementation of the high altitude test shots now scheduled for HARDTACK, and that every effort be made to conduct the high altitude test no later than May 1, 1958, prior to the other tests in Operation HARDTACK."

Commission action on AEC 952/4 is interpreted as approving AEC participation in two very high altitude test shots in Operation HARDTACK. Based on this interpretation the attached letter to the Secretary of Defense is submitted for your signature.

Alfred D. Starbird Brigadier General, USA Director of Military Application

Attachment: Letter to Sec. of Def. from Chairman

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