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Note to: Col. Hood *Ed*

June 13, 1960

From : Lt. Col. S. W. Josephson *SWJ*

Subject: QUESTION AND ANSWER SHEET ON EPG TRANSFER PRESS RELEASE

Early last week when the matter of possible news media questions on the EPG release came up, General Starbird said he would prefer to hold explanatory responses down to something like, "This transfer is being made because the Pacific Missile Range has an immediate requirement to use EPG now, and the AEC does not have an immediate requirement for it."

However, DoD is preparing a Q & A sheet, and Mr. Salisbury told Cannon to prepare one. DoD's is to be sent to AEC and State for coordination; Cannon's is attached. Cannon gave it to me and requested that I supply answers, for use if these questions are asked.

I believe General Starbird prefers not to have these Q & A sheets prepared in advance, except for the single response shown above. Request your advice.

The attached memo to Chairman McCone describes the present status of the press release as of noon, June 13. — Gen. Starbird passed to Hollingsworth some notes for you — Josephson has these. *SWJ 6/14*

- Attachments:
- Cannon's Q & A Sheet
- Memo to Chairman fm Ohlke

*General, I recommend we tell Cannon & Salisbury we do not want to approve any Q/A now, but will attempt to answer questions, if any, as they arise. *SWJ 6/13**

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Do you have any plans for testing again at EPG? How long would it take to go back?

What is the status of the NTS? Are there any plans for testing there?

Will the AEC retain any office or employees at EPG?

What will happen to current AEC employees or its contractor employees at EPG?
How many are affected?

Will any AEC equipment remain at EPG? If so how long will it continue to be usable?

How much saving will result for the AEC?

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