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STATEMENT BY THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION  
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During this month men and material will begin moving to the new Proving Grounds of the Atomic Energy Commission to carry out a further phase of a continuing series of weapons tests of all categories. These tests are part of the Atomic Energy Commission's research program for the improvement of weapons, pursuant to its responsibility under the Atomic Energy Act. The tests will be conducted by Joint Task Force 70-1, headed by Maj. Gen. Percy W. Clarkson, and will be conducted by personnel other than U. S. officials concerned.

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