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Lt. Col. Curtis J. Herrick, JCF-7 REAR 17 April 1948 Chairman, Military Liaison Committee Merse Salisbury, Director, Public & Technical Information Service, USAEC

Statement of USAEC on Proving Ground Operations.

The Chairman of the United States Atomic Energy Commission requests that the Commander, Joint Task Force 7, be advised as follows:

- (1) Extensive consultations in which were considered all factors touching on subject have been held by the Commission with the Secretary of the Army, the Chairman of the Military. Liaison Committee, and the Chairman of the Seint Commission Committee on Atomic Energy. The Commission has determined that after a lapse of more than 100 hours following the tests, the national security and public policy will be furthered by the issuance of a brief statement.
- (2) Accordingly, such a statement will be released to Washington correspondents for publication after 12:00 neon Eastern Standard Time, Honday, April 19.
- (3) The text of the statement is attached.

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Attachments:
above-mentioned statement

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