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Dear Lewis:

I have read your memorandum and think it excellent. My only question would be the need for the use of so many specific figures in the first two or three pages. You will see some scrawled notes of mine on the draft that I return herewith.

I do not mean that my thoughts are particularly emphatic on the point, but when we give examples such as "whether the bomb be a 20,000-ton (TNT equivalent) atomic weapon or a thermonuclear one" we do give some intimation that these are possibly the extremes in which we are interested.

I realize that all of the information given herein has probably been released before. However, I have the feeling that a general discussion in some of these areas may be just as effective as the more specific figures.

As ever,



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