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TO : K. E. Fields, General Manager

DATE: December 6, 1955

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FROM: Harold D. Anamosa, Acting Secretary D. Quamose

SUBJECT: RECAP OF MEETING NO. 1153 - 2:15 p.m., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1955

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Commission Actions

- 1. AEC 781/18 Request for Release of Information to the U.K.- Deferred until the evaluation of the last USSR test is received. You were to contact General Loper and inform him of this decision.
- 2. AEC 787/7 -- Non-Technical Photography for REDWING Approved as revised. A proposal for an unclassified documentary is to be presented later. (Starbird)
- 3. AEC 720/20 Revision in Base Price of Thorium Metal Deferred until after a discussion of the problem with Consolidated Edison. An indication is to be obtained from Lindsay and other chemical companies concerning their interest in meeting the demand for thorium. (Davis Bloch)
- 4. AEC 746/13 and AEC 746/14 Quarterly Progress Report to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy Approved, as revised, subject to comments by the individual Commissioners. (Burrows)
- 5. AEC 464/3 Declassification of Statement in "1955 Review of The Report of Project EAST RIVER" Approved. The letter to FCDA is to be revised. Mr. Strauss will orally inform Mr. Peterson of the Commission's concern. (Marshall and Mr. Strauss)
- 6. AEC 99/25 Draft Letter to Dr. N. E. Bradbury Deferred until after discussions with Dr. Bradbury during the week of December 12.
- 7. Midwest Accelerators The Commission amended its previous action to state that the ANL accelerator will be "fully competitive technically with the Russian 10 Bev machine." (Johnson)

Other Business

1. <u>Kefauver Committee Hearings</u>. Mr. Strauss commented on these hearings. As Mr. Strauss requested, we will put the Alsop article in the Commission's files and refer to it in the Minutes. Mr. Strauss said he would refer to you for action the question of disciplining the person responsible for disclosing privileged information. You reported on the letter you sent to Senator Langer.

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- Nautilus Cruise. Mr. Libby reported on the cruise.
- 3. REDWING Press Release. Mr. Strauss said that the announcement had been cleared with the President but that release would be postponed until after the U.N. General Assembly recesses.
- 4. Brussels' Reactor. The Commission requested a report from Westinghouse on the design concept of this reactor. (Davis)
- 5. General Counsel's Opinion on MVGC Contract. Mr. Strauss reported on the public release of the Opinion. Mr. Mitchell reported on his conversation with the MVGC attorneys and Mr. Rankin of the Department of Justice.
- 6. N. Y. Times Article on Training of Scientists The Commissioners briefly discussed this matter.
- 7. Effect of Presidential Directive on Bilateral Agreements. Mr. Strauss read Mr. Mitchell's memorandum on this subject.
- 8. Press Release on USSR Test. Mr. Murray wishes to be informed of the circumstances surrounding this press release. (Salisbury)
- 9. Press Story on ANP Program. You reported that G. E. denies that it released the statement on flight of the reactor.

Items of Information

- Death at Hanford
 McKinney activities
- 3. Reactor Seminar
- 4. Civil Service League Awards

You may wish to inform the JCAE of item 1.

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