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MEETING NO. 790

2:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 17, 1952

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#### Present

Gordon Dean Henry D. Smyth Eugene M. Zuckert Roy B. Snapp Charles A. Perry

Harold L. Price

M. W. Boyer

### Also Present

Dr. John C. Bugher Robert L. Corsbie Brig. Gen. K. E. Fields Richard W. Cook Morse Salisbury Capt. F. L. Ashworth, USN

Elton Lord Edwin Wilber Shelby Thompson Charter Heslep

Lt. Col. Lorin R. Dedrickson Lt. Col. L. L. Beckerderff

Mr. J. L. Atwood (NAA)

Lt. Col. R. D. Gahl

Mr. Virgin (NAA)

Major W. T. White (AFSWP)

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#### l. Discussion with Mr. J. L. Atwood, President of North American Aviation Company

Mr. Atwood said that he had asked Mr. Boyer for this opportunity to meet with the Commission because he had an impression that the Commission felt North American was not showing interest in the reactor development work undertaken by it. The Board of Directors and he are

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As noted on feet Pile page of CM 790,

# 4. Fabrication of Slugs for H-10 Loading of a Hanford Pile

Mr. Cook pointed out that if the Commission wished to go ahead with the proposed H-10 loading of the Hanford C pile the fabrication of U-235 slugs would have to be started in the immediate future. He added that there was not much spare metal for this purpose and that such a loading would tie up a great deal of weapon level oralloy. After further discussion the Commission:

- a. AUTHORIZED the fabrication of U-235 into slugs in preparation for an H-10 type loading of the Hanford C pile.
- b. NOTED that further Commission approval would be requested before actual loading.

## 5. Timing of Operation CASTLE

General Fields elaborated on the comments made by Dr. Bradbury at his meeting with the Commissioners (see Meeting No. 776) and in his letter of November 28, 1952 (See AEC 597/2). He felt that this problem should be explored in general terms with the MLC in order to put them on notice as a postponement of CASTLE will involve administrative problems for the Task Force.

# 6. AEC 262/78 - Reimbursement of Certain Items Under DuPont Contract

Mr. Dean said that the language of Paragraph 4a of Appendix "A" to the paper was subject to several interpretations and therefore should be revised. After further discussion, the Commission:

- a. APPROVED reimbursement to the DuPont Company for payments made to DuPont employees assigned to the Savannah River or Dana plants, in unusual hardship cases due to personal real estate losses sustained in disposing of their homes;
- b. NOTED that the Commission decision on a above is subject to the acceptance by the DuPont Company of the criteria and limitations set forth in Paragraph 4 a to d of Appendix "A", revised in accordance with the discussion at the meeting;