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May 29, 1953

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING: Working Group on Nuclear Energy and  
Related Problems (NSC 5507/1)

Twenty-seventh Meeting, Room 5600, Building 5, 725F New State Building

Working Group Members Present

- State - Gerard C. Smith, Chairman  
Philip J. Farley, /alternates
- Defense - Maj. Gen. Herbert J. Goldhamer, USA, Ret.  
Lt. Stefan T. Kossow, /alternates
- AEC - Mr. Morse Salisbury
- FCDA - Mr. Charles Feagans
- OCB - Mr. Richard Harshbarger

Others Present

- State - Mr. Richard E. Brown  
Mr. Jackson Lyman  
Mr. Joel Orier
- NSIA - Mr. Stephen Perle
- Office of  
Spec. Assistant  
to the President - Mr. Tom Lister

1. Draft Ninety-day Follow-up Report to the NSC on the subject of the NSC Statement. The Working Group reviewed the subject draft, concluding that the comments would be incorporated into the final report to the Board Assistants.

2. Other Business.

a. State Department members agreed to explore the possibility of giving early publicity to news that appeared to be the result of discussions leading to bilateral agreement for cooperation for the development of a reactor.

b. State member advised that a new NSIA pamphlet was being prepared for publication on the subject of nuclear energy and would be used by State's Public Service Program.

c. NSIA member agreed to furnish details on the NSIA's treatment of State's guidance with respect to exploiting the NSIA's propaganda contention that nuclear warfare will destroy the world's states, and that Communists will use it.

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d. AEC member agreed to explore the possibility of giving additional publicity to tests to minimize radiation hazards from weapons tests, such as the fact that a person would receive more radioactivity from the constant use of a luminous wrist watch dial than from a single test of a nuclear weapon.

e. AEC member agreed to explore with the Joint Committee staff the possibility of issuing invitations to the Washington Post and the Marine Corps to view the USIA exhibit on the activities of the Joint Committee which will be sponsored by the Joint Committee at the Capitol from May 23 to June 2.

f. The Group agreed that it would be well to explore the possibility of establishing a nuclear energy press corps in Washington which could receive a series of orientation lectures and seminars to improve press coverage of important nuclear energy developments. It was agreed that Mr. Salisbury would head the committee of the Joint Committee to be composed of Messrs. Friedman, Friedman, Irving, and others.

3. The next meeting will be held on June 10, 1954, at 10:00 a.m.

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Edward Birch  
 Director, Public Relations

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