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Honorable Carl T. Durham
Chairman, Joint Committee
on Atomic Energy
Congress of the United States

Dear Mr. Durham:

The Atomic Energy Commission, with the concurrence of the Commander, Joint Task Force SEVEN, has agreed that in order to give adequate motion film coverage to the forthcoming full-scale Eniwetok Proving Ground Test, Operation HARDTACK, a certain amount of archival-historical film footage need be taken. This possibly declassifiable footage will include views of reduced-fallout detonations; views of cratering, monitoring, and/or other ground activities relating to reduced-fallout detonations; safety procedures and methods, and cloud sampling.

It is envisioned that this stock film footage will adequately fulfill the need for a historical record of the operation at a reasonable cost and also serve as the basic material from which the AEC could produce a publicly-releasable, finished documentary motion picture and/or provide basic footages to public media for release.

You will be notified if at any time some of this film footage is to be given public issuance.

Sincerely yours,

General Manager

CC: Chairman

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