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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSIONERS AND GENERAL MANAGER

Subject: AGENDA PLANNING SESSION, 11:00 A.M., FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1956

At 11:00 a.m., on Friday, November 16, 1956, the Agenda Planning Session was held in the Chairman's Office. Those present were:

Lewis L. Strauss
Harold S. Vance

K. E. Fields
Edwin E. Ferguson

W. B. McCool
James E. Ammons

Manuel Dupkin II
Richard J. Hallinan
Calvin Potts

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1. Announcement on Foreign Power Program

Mr. Strauss reported that the State Department had expressed concern about the problems involved in translating into German that part of the announcement on the foreign power program which related to transfer of special nuclear materials to "private persons".

Mr. Ferguson said he believed the particular language in question had been used in the bilateral agreement with West Germany and that the State Department had not objected when the agreement was negotiated.

Mr. Strauss added that it might be necessary for him to speak to Mr. Hoover

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about the matter prior to release of the announcement by the White House.

2. Agenda

The Commissioners discussed and approved the Agenda for the week of November 19, 1956. Mr. Fields suggested, and the Commissioners agreed, that a brief documentary film on Operation WIGWAM would be shown on November 20, prior to a showing for the OCB.

3. Mr. Libby's Memorandum Regarding Project SUNSHINE

Mr. Fields reported that Mr. Libby had inquired by memorandum dated November 15, 1956, whether an increase of \$1 million had been approved in the FY 1958 budget estimates for Project SUNSHINE. He said that a review was being made of this matter.

4. Mr. Libby's Proposal for Additional Funds for Isotopes Research

Mr. Fields reported that consideration was being given to Mr. Libby's memorandum dated November 15, 1956, proposing that an additional \$1 million be included in the FY 1958 budget estimates for development of new isotope uses.

5. PRDC Reactor

Mr. Strauss reported that during a discussion with Mr. Walker Cisler earlier in the day, Mr. Cisler had indicated that financial arrangements for the PRDC reactor had been successfully completed.

Mr. Strauss also reported that he had received a joint letter from representatives of six counties in Michigan urging the Commission not to revoke the PRDC construction permit. Mr. Strauss suggested that these



representatives be informed of the procedures to follow if they wish to appear during the hearing on the PRDC intervention petitions.

6. Presentation of Enrico Fermi Medal and Galvano

The Commissioners reviewed a letter to Mrs. Enrico Fermi in connection with Mr. Strauss' presentation of Mr. Fermi's medal to her on November 19, 1956.

7. Visit with Mr. von Neumann

Mr. Strauss reported on the state of Mr. von Neumann's health.

W. B. McCool
Secretary

cc: General Counsel

