

[REDACTED]

409635

REPOSITORY NARA - College Park

COLLECTION RG 326, 51-58 Secretary

BOX No. 183 (NN3-326-93-010)

FOLDER MR #A 7, Redwing COPY NO. 1

R

September 5, 1956

Vol. II

ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

DECISION ON AEC 787/24  
JOINT AEC-DOD INFORMATION PLAN FOR OPERATION REDWING

Note by the Secretary

At Meeting 1188 on March 28, 1956, the Commission:

a. Approved the AEC-DOD Joint Information Plan for Operation REDWING (attached as Appendix "B" to AEC 787/24);

b. Authorized the establishment of a Joint Test Information Office as provided for in the Information plan;

c. Noted that the Joint Test Information Office will prepare, as deemed necessary by the Commission and the Department of Defense, announcements that a shot has taken place on a certain date, at any time subsequent to the detonation;

d. Noted that when announcements of detonations are issued, the yield will be stated in terms of "kiloton range" or "megaton range";

e. Noted that if all detonations were to be announced, the revelation of the total number will require declassification from Confidential, Defense Information;

f. Noted that the Plan provides for subsequent addition of special information projects which may include an uncleared observer program;

g. Noted that the plan includes provision for reporting fall-out, including readings in the U.S. if necessary;

h. Noted that in view of possible international repercussions of such nature as to affect the national interest, a flexible procedure is established to take additional informational actions as deemed necessary;

CONFIRMED TO BE UNCLASSIFIED  
BY AUTHORITY OF DOD/OC  
Carl Wilson 3/26/84  
REVIEWED BY  
By: T Fehick 3/19/86  
DATE

<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>COPY NO.</u>	<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>COPY NO.</u>
Secretary	1	International Affairs	13 - 14
General Counsel	2 - 3	Military Application	15 - 17
Biology & Medicine	4	Nuclear Materials Mgmt.	18
Classification	5	Operations Analysis	19
Finance	6 - 7	Research	20
Information	8 - 10	Security	21
Inspection	11	Albuquerque Operations	22 - 24
Intelligence	12	San Francisco Oprns.	25 - 27

BEST COPY AVAILABLE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

i. Noted that official background material and reporting of spot news is to be prepared to respond to the extent possible to the expected requests from U.S. media and as a means for having material available, if necessary, to combat unfavorable reaction abroad;

j. Noted that the Joint Information Plan for Operation REDWING is before the Department of Defense for approval; and

k. Noted that a letter notifying the JCAE of the Information Plan will be transmitted after coordination of the plan with other Executive Agencies. The Commission, also:

Determined that the approximate date of the first shot of Operation REDWING may be published without constituting an undue risk to the common defense and security.

W. B. McCOOL

Secretary

[REDACTED]