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Mr. Ralph E. Spear
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Planning Staff
Federal Civil Defense Administration
Washington Office
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Spear:

This is in response to your letter of January 3, 1956, stating Federal Civil Defense Administration's interest in producing, with the coordination of the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense a publicly releasable documentary motion picture based on the detonation and effects of a mitigation nuclear weapon.

You have stated that FCDA would plan to rely on (a) declassified film footage taken by Joint Task Force Seven at Operation REDWING, for Task Force, AEC and DOD use, (b) declassified footage from previous PFC tests, and (c) additional footage, added to AEC's requirements to the Task Force, specially keyed to FCDA's potential use.

This is to advise you that:

- a. The Commission will be pleased to add to its requirements such additional footage requirements as would be helpful to FCDA, based upon further staff discussions.
- b. Such footage will be taken without charge to FCDA.
- c. The Commission understands that FCDA will bear the full costs of actual preparation of the final, releasable motion picture, including script, editing, animation, narration, et cetera.
- d. The Commission will undertake, if practicable, to start declassification action on REDWING film footage as soon as possible after the film from the first shot is processed, and will be pleased to consider for declassification any footage from previous tests which FCDA believes might be useful to the final picture.

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- e. The Commission requires that edited footage, script, animation, et cetera, be submitted in advance to the Commission for joint review by AEC-DOB for classification and policy considerations.
- f. It is noted that FDA is primarily interested in shot GHEROKKE, assuming that the nature of shot GHEROKKE will be subject to declassification.
- g. As guidance to the Commission, it is requested that you furnish as promptly as possible as much information as is available concerning the over-all objectives of the proposed film, categories of coverage, such as radiation instrumentation and dosimetry, the relation of such dosimetry to CELL-out, monitoring and decontamination procedures, blast and thermal effects on structures, equipment, materials, operational safety criteria and measures, burst phenomena, meteorology, et cetera.
- h. Appropriate AEC staff will be pleased to meet in concert with representatives of the Task Force, FDA and Lockport Mountain Laboratory to assure that the projected footage coverage will be of maximum value to FDA.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Gorsbie
Chief
Civil Defense Liaison Branch
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