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Dear Senator Anderson:

This letter is written to inform you of our revised test plans for BIKER and REWIND as indicated in my letter to you dated March 3, 1955.

In view of the present status of developmental work in the laboratories, it is considered advisable to revise the test program previously visualized for the remainder of this year and calendar year 1956. Previous plans, as you know, contemplated conducting BIKER at the Nevada Test Site during the latter part of 1955. It is now considered advisable to integrate that test program with REWIND which is planned for early calendar 1956 at the Pacific Proving Ground as was originally scheduled. Our plans to combine with REWIND the devices, which were previously to be tested in BIKER as a continental test, are dictated by the stated requirement of the laboratories for more time subsequent to TRAPOT to design and make preparations for the proposed detonations.

At present, we are thinking of a total of eleven shots (including burps, tower, land, and airdrop) for REWIND of which four will be sponsored by the University of California Radiation Laboratory and seven by the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory. It is anticipated that the REWIND series will embody three devices in the neutron range, one of which may be an operational airdrop of the TI-21. We will keep you informed of any significant changes in our plans as they develop.

Sincerely yours,

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