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UNITED STATES
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

January 2, 1958

Dear Mr. Quarles:

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We have initiated an examination of our capability to meet the new POLARIS warhead schedule you request, to include the examination of the impact of a suitably accelerated POLARIS warhead program on other weapon programs. We will advise the Department of Defense of the results of this examination as soon as it is completed.

However, I can advise you now that as a first step toward meeting the new POLARIS warhead schedule, the Director of Military Application has proposed a revision of AEC plans for testing in Operation HARDTACK which I forwarded to General Loper under cover of my letter of November 13, 1957. The planned revisions are enumerated below:

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Sincerely yours,

/s/ Lewis L. Strauss

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