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At 10 a.m. I presided over Commission Meeting 2352 (action summary attached). At the Commission Meeting we discussed the possibility of modifying our policy of secrecy on our gaseous diffusion and gas centrifuge methods for enriching U-235. The Europeans and Japanese are developing these methods and our policy seems to be outmoded if we want to influence them and stay abreast of them. Despite objections from Ramey, who prefers the status quo, we asked the staff to make a study, with the aim of coming up with various plans to make it possible to cooperate with the Europeans and Japanese in this area.

At 11:45 a.m. I presided over Information Meeting 847 (notes attached).

At 12:30 p.m. I attended the reception and luncheon of the AIF in the Shoreham Hotel. Ken Davis was Chairman. Harry G. Slater, Senior Vice President of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, presented AIF Awards in Public Understanding of Nuclear Power to Westinghouse and Philadelphia Electric and to Frank Carey of the A.P. Davis introduced me and I introduced Jim Young, President of AIF, who gave the "State of the Nuclear Industry" address.

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At 5:30 p.m. I attended the reception given by Westinghouse and the Smithsonian Institution at the Museum of History and Technology in celebrating Westinghouse's 20th year in nuclear power generation.

At 6 p.m. I then attended the reception given by
Battelle at the Shoreham Hotel (where I saw Fred Albaugh
and Sherwood Fawcett) and that given by the AIF Public
Affairs Committee and International Nuclear Public
Relations Contact Group at the Shoreham.

At 7:30 p.m. I finally attended the reception for the German delegation attending the conference, hosted by Scientific Counselor and Mrs. Opfermann at the German Embassy.

Dr. Michael Higatsberger (of Austria) told me the AEC briefings at Oak Ridge last Thursday and Friday on our nuclear fuel policy were very successful and may have convinced many Europeans that they shouldn't build an enriching facility soon.

Charles Robbins (AIF) told me about industry feeling that AEC suppression of industrial work on gas centrifuge is counter to American method of doing business.