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Dr. Eugene P. Rabinowitch
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Dear Doctor Rabinowitch:

With regard to your recent request for consideration of declassification of SECRET document MUC-NH-2719-1B, entitled "Report on Political and Social Problems", this office can now advise that there is no security objection to public release of this document provided certain deletions listed below are made. These deletions for the most part are based on the viewpoint that there is no security objection to references to thorium as fissionable material, but objection is made to discussion of any progress by the Manhattan District in experimentation.

Deletions

- (a) Page 8, first full paragraph.
- (b) Page 9, Line 6, beginning "If we consider...."and ending"....all our chances of success."
- (c) Page 9, Line 14, change 7th word to "thousand".
- (d) Page 11, Line 5, delete last word.
- (e) Page 11, Line 17, change to read: "and the decision should not be left to considerations, merely, of military tactics."
- (f) Page 11, delete last sentence of first full paragraph.
- (g) Page 13, Paragraph 2, leave out word "thorium".
- (h) Page 16, delete third full paragraph.

This office wishes to thank you for your cooperation in this matter and trusts that declassification of this report has been accomplished to your satisfaction.

For the Area Engineer:

Very truly yours,

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