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MEMORANDUM for the Military Liaison Committee

Subject: PLANNING FOR 1951 ATOMIC BOMB TESTS

Reference is made to your memorandum of March 24, 1949 and to our reply dated June 7, 1949, both under the above subject.

In the first paragraph on page 3 of our reply you will note our proposal to inform you of the views of the Commission's Director of Biology and Medicine on the bio-medical aspects of the service test program transmitted by your March 24 memorandum.

In response to your memorandum, the Director of Biology and Medicine appointed an ad hoc committee, under the chairmanship of Dr. George V. LaRoy, to study the problem and recommend a suitable bio-medical program. This committee consisted of specialists in the various fields of bio-medicine including representatives of the Armed Forces. Having considered proposals from all interested agencies, including those contained in the annex to your March 24 memorandum, the committee drafted a recommended bio-medical program, a copy of which is attached.

This program has been considered and approved by the Commission's Director of Biology and Medicine, the Commission's Medical Advisory Committee, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory and the Joint Proof-Test Committee.

Dr. LaRoy has been appointed by the Director of Biology and Medicine as the bio-medical project director charged with implementing this program under the supervision of Dr. A. C. Graves, Director of the Scientific Task Group of the proposed Joint Task Force.

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Dr. LeRoy has been requested by the Joint Proof-Test Committee to discuss details of the bio-medical program with the interested agencies of the Armed Forces and with the various interested laboratories of the Commission. It is expected that Dr. LeRoy's report to the Joint Proof-Test Committee will indicate the reaction of the various agencies to this program and the extent of the fiscal support interested agencies can give to this program.

The necessity of an animal colony has been concurred in by the Joint Proof-Test Committee and action is underway to establish such a colony.

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