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Dear Don: 8-11240

On October 13, 1958, General Luedecke forwarded to me your letter of October 7, which proposed installation of a tethered balloon facility on Engebi as a means of maintaining readiness capability for resumption of testing. In this connection, General Luedecke recommended in the JTF Final HARDTACK Report that development of the capability to fire from tethered balloons in EPG should be given careful attention in planning for the future.

Accordingly, I forwarded a copy of your letter to Kenner Hertford at ALOO and requested that your proposal be studied further. You will probably be hearing from him soon.

All of us are continuously looking for ways and means of maintaining our test capability as ready as possible so that we can resume test operations with minimum delay and expense if the President so directs. Please know that I value and appreciate your suggestion and welcome any others that come to your mind.

Sincerely yours,

[(SIGNED)]

Alfred D. Starbird
Brigadier General, USA
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