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LIMITATIONS ON OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING NUCLEAR WEAPONS

- 1. By direction of the President all statements by Government officials, whether oral or written, regarding nuclear weapons must be cleared in advance with the Atomic Energy Commission. The Atomic Energy Commission must clear intelligence aspects of such statements with the Central Intelligence Agency.
- 2. The Office of Scientific Intelligence is responsible for assuring that the necessary action is taken on behalf of the Agency on all such statements.
- 3. All requests for clearance on such statements originating within the Agency will be submitted to the Director of Security who will forward the request to the Office of Scientific Intelligence with recommendations relating to security implications of this Agency. The Office of Scientific Intelligence, through established liaison with the Atomic Energy Commission, will determine whether such statements differ materially from statements previously authorized by the Atomic Energy Commission. If not and if it is the office of determined that there are no prohibiting security or intelligence factors, office of Scientific Intelligence may authorize release of the statement. If such a statement contains new material, the Office of Scientific Intelligence will obtain a specific ruling from the Atomic Energy Commission as to release. If such a statement is releasable from the point of view of content on nuclear weapons but there are prohibiting security or intelligence aspects, the Office of Scientific Intelligence will make appropriate recommendations to the Director of Central Intelligence.
- 4. The Requests for clearance on intelligence aspects (originating outside of the Agency) they must be submitted through the Atomic Energy Commission's liaison channels. If the intelligence aspects indicate an adverse ruling a recommendations for alteration of the statement, the Office of Scientific Intelligence will make appropriate recommendations thereon to the Director of Central Intelligence. If coordination within the Agency indicates no objection, the Office of Scientific Intelligence may authorize release insofar as the intelligence aspects are concerned.

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