

January 28, 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Information Coordination Division

Attention

SUBJECT : Expansion of Atoms for Peace Program in Japan

I. As CIA representative on the Inter-Governmental Committee dealing with President Eisenhower's Atoms-for-Peace program we wish to bring the following information to your attention. It is requested that this information be passed to your fellow Committee members for discussion and review and that recommendations be drawn up as to the feasibility of implementing the program outlined below.

II. Background

A. The () Mission has recently been in touch with a well known and influential Japanese political figure. This individual is desirous of engaging in a fully extended campaign promoting President Eisenhower's Atoms-for-peace proposal and is soliciting guidance and assistance.

B. Specifically he stated that he is willing and able to launch a travelling Atoms-for-Peace campaign in Japan, hitting streets, towns, schools, libraries and public halls. He plans to utilize personnel, media and other mechanisms already in his control.

C. While full details have not been worked out, his basic plan is to use Japanese artists, make up men and printers who would rework CIA furnished material to (1) play down or conceal original source of this material (2) fit current attitude Japanese public and general Japanese psychology. Emphasis would be placed on Russian refusal participate all-out Atoms-for-Peace plans.

D. The Japanese principal states that USIA sponsored Atoms-for-Peace programs are not likely to be accepted by Japanese public.

III. Conclusions and Recommendations

A. In order to properly carry through on the program outlined above, it is requested that a list of available non-governmental or non-USIA and commercial materials be made available. This list should include photographs, historical and technical displays, working models, atomic

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power plants, educational 16mm films (colored preferred), slides, drawings and posters.

B. It is recommended that above plan be discussed with the objective of approving and supporting such a program or that the plan be rejected and an alternate program(s) be recommended.