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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY ADVISORY BOARD, TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE ATOMIC PROJECT:

Subject: Plan for Atomic Bomb Test Against Naval Vessels.

Reference: J.P.S. 770/7/D

Inclosure: J.P.S. 770/7/D Copy No. 12

- 1. Regarding recommendations marked A,B,C and D comments follow:
 - a. Concur recommendation A.
- b. Nonconcur recommendation B. Suggest J.C.S. Evaluation Board consist of five members: Two civilians, one Army officer, one Naval officer and one AAF officer.
 - c. Reference Recommendation C:
 - (1) Concur that foreign representation be limited to British and Canadian officers and scientists.
 - (2) Suggest that the number of observers to view tests from aircraft be limited as follows:
 - (a) U. S. Navy, Army and Air Forces officers
 - (b) U. S., British and Canadian Scientists now or formerly affiliated with Manhattan District Project.
 - (c) U. S., British and Canadian Press Representatives.
 - (d) U. S. Movie and Radio Representatives.
 - d. Reference Recommendation D:

The following breakdown of observers to be on board ships or in aircraft is submitted for consideration:

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U. S. Dignataries and Congressmen	20
U. S. Navy	30
U. S. Army	30
AAF	30
British - Army, Navy and Air	5
Canadian - Army, Navy and Air	5
U. S. Scientists	30
British and Canadian Scientists	10
Press - Newspaper, Radio and Movies	40
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2. In order that the operating agencies which will be called upon to participate in the forthcoming atomic tests are not handicapped in the performance of their duties by virtue of operating under highly classified instructions, it is strongly recommended that the various parts of the plans for the tests and particularly the operating instructions be classified no higher than "Secret".

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Deputy Chief of Air Staff for
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