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Definition of Major Weapons Adaptable to Mass Destruction.

19 June 1947

SUMMARY

1. Admiral Leahy, acting for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has forwarded a memorandum, dated 9 June 1947, to the Secretaries of War and the Navy, setting forth the views of the Joint Chiefs on weapons adaptable to mass destruction, with the request that these views be furnished the Secretary of State.

2. The Secretary of the Navy has prepared and signed a joint transmitting letter which he recommends be signed by the Secretary of War and forwarded thereafter to the Secretary of State. Assumption of Navy initiative in this instance was arranged between Captain Hollingsworth, U.S.N., and Lt. Colonel Juskalian of the Office, Chief of Staff.

RECOMMENDATION

3. It is recommended that the joint transmitting letter proposed and signed by the Secretary of the Navy be forwarded for the signature of the Secretary of War.

COORDINATION

4. None.

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Joint trans. ltr
 to S/S fm S/W & S/W

LAURIS NORSTAD
 Major General, GSC
 Director, Plans & Operations

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The Honorable
The Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have requested that their views on the interpretation to be given the phrase "major weapons adaptable to mass destruction" be transmitted for your information, so that you may be advised of the military thinking on this problem. Accordingly, enclosed herewith is a study, the work of the Joint Strategic Survey Committee, which has been approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff and which may be considered as accurately reflecting their views.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ FORRESTAL

(Signed) ROBERT PA ~~BARRETT~~
Secretary of War

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