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May 8, 1991

Freedom of Information Officer Office of the National Archives National Archives & Records Administration Washington DC 20408

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. Section 552, et seq. (as amended), I hereby request disclosure of the documents described on the last page of this letter for inspection and possible copying.

If you regard any of these documents as exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. In this connection I note that you are required under the FOIA to release any reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents containing information you regard as exempt. Section 552(b). To permit an intelligent, informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denial decision, you are also requested to describe withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the logical and factual basis for exemption claims. See Mead Data Central, Inc. v. Department of the Air Force, 566 F.2d 242, 251 (D.C. Cir., 1977).

This request is made on behalf of the National Security Archive, a nonprofit public interest research institute and library located in Washington, D.C. The Archive is organized and operated as a divison of the Fund For Peace, Inc., a tax-exempt nonprofit corporation. The Archive's purpose is to enrich public policy debate by making available records pertaining to important issues of major public concern in the areas of foreign, defense, intelligence, and international economic policy.

Documents obtained by the Archive, including the records requested in this letter, are carefully analyzed, indexed and organized into document sets in the Archive's collection and published. Document sets are available for inspection and copying by scholars, journalists, members of Congress and Congressional staffs, present and former public officials, other public interest organizations, and the general public at the Archive's Washington office. Information in the documents is disseminated across the country through distribution of comprehensive document indices to university and other research libraries and through the Archive's publications.

As a staff member of the Archive, I have been assigned to conduct research on the subject of this request. I am working as part of a research team which includes experts on this subject with a wide variety of educational and professional backgrounds relating to foreign affairs, defense, intelligence and international economic policy. Members of the team have conducted an extensive literature

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search at the Library of Congress and specialized research libraries and have determined that the requested materials are necessary to our research.

I further ask that you waive all fees in connection with this request. In National Security Archive v. U.S. Department of Defense, 880 F.2d 1381 (D.C. Cir. 1989), cert. denied March 19, 1990, the D.C. Circuit held that the Archive is entitled to a waiver of all search and review fees under the FOIA as a "representative of the news media". Id. at 1387. The appeals court also determined that Archive requests made in furtherance of its publication and related activities are not for a "commercial use." Id. at 1388.

This request also qualifies for a waiver of duplication fees because disclosure of the information in the requested documents is in the public interest as it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government. See 5 U.S.C. Section 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). Should you decline to waive or reduce all duplication fees, we are prepared to pay normal reproduction costs if I decided to copy the records produced. Our willingness to pay such fees is subject to our rights to appeal and litigate the fee waiver question. I further ask that if you decline to waive duplication fees that you set forth your specific reasons for doing so in writing and that you obtain our authorization before incurring costs in excess of \$100.

In order to expedite the release of the listed documents, I request that you disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been assembled. If you have any questions that I might be able to answer regarding the identity of the records, their location, or the scope of the request, please call me at the number listed above. I look forward to receiving your response within the ten-day statutory time period.

Yours very truly,

Jonathan Weinstein

Attachment

Records at the National Archives in Washington:

State Department: RG 59,1945-49 Lot 57.D.688-Series 1

Records of the Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Atomic Energy Matters, 1944-1952

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Box 47: Country Files--France General: 1945-52
     1.item 9A-1/1/S-Memo July 18,1947(Guillion-SNAPP).
     2.item 10-1/6/S Memo July 23,1948(Seeman-Arneson).
     3.item 10A-1/1/K Ltr.Jan.17,1949 (Ingersoll-Arneson).
     4.item 11-1/4/S Memo May 24,1949 Joyce-Arneson
     5.item 11A-1/1/C Memo Aug.25,1949(to Chase).
     6.item 12-1/1/S Ltr.Jan.20,1950(Colby -Chase).
     7.item 13-1/2/S Ltr. Feb.7,1950(Terrill-Arneson).
     8.item 14-1/2/S Ltr. Sept.28,1950(Terrill-Arneson).
     9.item 15-1/5/S Report Oct.12,1950(USAIRA-Paris).
     10.item 16-1/4/S Report Nov.2,1050(Terrill-Arneson).
     11.item 17-1/1/C Telegram 3402 Dec.22,1950(State-Paris).
     12.item 18-1/2/S Ltr. Dec.29,1950 (Arneson-Terrill).
     13.item 19-1/5/C Memo Sept 12,1951(Arneson).
     14.item 20-1/3/S Ltr. Dec.28,1951(Terrill-Arneson).
     15.item 21-1/4/S Ltr. Feb.5,1952 (Terrill-Arneson).
     16.item 22-1/4/S Ltr. Sept.12,1952(Arneson-Robinson).
      17.item 23-1/1/S Ltr.Jan.8,1951(Terrill-Arneson).
      18.item 24-1/2/C Memo Feb.19,1951(Nicholson-Coulter).
      19.item 25-1/3/S Ltr.&Enclosed March 30,1951(Terrill-
                               Arneson).
      20.item 26-1/4/S Ltr.April 11,1951(Terrill-Arneson).
      21.item 27-1/1/S Bulletin #25 April 24,1951.
      22.item 28-1/1/S Memo May 16,1951(O'Shaughnessy-McKillop).
      23.item 29-1/4/C Ltr.May 29,1951(Terrill-Arneson).
      24.item 30-1/3/C Ltr. May 31,1951(Terrill-Arneson).
      25.item 30A-1/4/S Memo July 3,1951(to Terrill).
      26.item 31-1/3/C Ltr. Jan.4,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      27.item 34-1/4/S Ltr.March 19,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      28.item 35-1/2/S Ltr. April 2,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      29.item 36-1/2/C Ltr.April 3,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      30.item 37-1/2/S Ltr. April 17,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      31.item 38-1/4/S Ltr. April 22,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      32.item 39-1/5/S Memo April,1952
      33.item 40-1/1/S Ltr. April 30,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
      34.item 41-1/10/C Memo May 9,1952(Ford-L'Hereux).
      35.item 42-1/1/C Ltr. May 12,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
       36.item 43-1/3/R Ltr. May 15,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
       36.item 44-1/3/S Ltr.May 28,1952(Terrill-Arneson).
       37.item 45-1/4/U Ltr.July 29,1952(to Arneson).
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38.item 46-1/2/S Memo Sept.17,1952(Chase).
39.item 46A-1/1/S Ltr. Sept.23,1952(Arneson-Robinson).
40.item 47-1/3/S Desp.972 Oct.31,1952.
41.item 47A-1/4/S Memo Nov.17,1952.
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42.item 48-1/1/S Ltr. Dec.12,1952(Robinson-Arneson).

43.item 49-1/3/#Paper, Dec. 19, 1952.

44.item 49A-1/2/5 Memo Dec. 10, 1952 (Coverdale DCI).

45.item 49B-1/2/S Ltr.Dec.24,1952(Arneson-Robinson).

46.item 50-1/103/S (Entire folder 21--Intelligence Reports France, 1952).

Total:46 documentary citations

Box 56, file 4:11:4 -Tripartite Negotiations of atomic relations with United Kingdom & Canada

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1.item # 22-memo, April 23,1946.(Sir Roger Makins)
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2.item #23-memo, Dec. 29, 1949 (Franks to Acheson)

3.item #24-Nov.30,1949(Makins to Acheson).

4.item #25-memo, Dec. 28, 1949.

5.item #26-Arneson to President Truman, Oct. 1, 1949.

6.item #27-Memo, Feb. 10, 1949.

7.item #28-memo Arneson to Secretary of State, Feb. 3, 1949.

8.item #29-draft statement,1949.

9.item #30-Marten to Arneson, Sept. 6, 1951.

10.item #31-Spiers to Arneson, Oct. 2, 1949.

Total:10 documentary citations.

Box 59, file Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, General:

4A:Congressional Relationship

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1.item #54 2/11/T Report, Oct.11, 1949(J.F. Dulles)
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2.item #55 1/53/T Memo, Oct. 24, 1949 (Arneson)

3.item #56 1/43/T Report Oct 13,1949(State)

4.item #57 1/10/T Proposed statement Oct.13,1949.

5.item #58 1/1/T memo, Oct. 30, 1949 (Webb-Arneson).

6.item #59 1/1/T memo(Arneson) Aug.18,1949.

7.item #60 1/0/T partial folder 00 July 1949.

8.item #61 1/2/T memo, July 25, 1949 (Acheson).

9.item #61A 1/8/T Memo, July 20,1949(Arneson).

10.item #62 1/4/T letter ,July 18,1949(McMahon-Arneson).

11.item #63 1/6/T Memo, July 14,1949 (Arneson files).

12.item #64 1/4/T memo, July 13,1949(Arneson).

13.item #65 1/5/S letter, Feb. 18, 1949 (Lilienthal-McMahon).

Total:13 documentary citations.

Box 65:

file 15F:Policy Planning Studies on International Control of Atomic Energy, 1947-50.

(entire folder 10-marked Arneson's Mission to United Kingdom).

Box 79:

Canadian Files.

file 21.13 Chalk River

- 1.item #54 memo Wright to Arneson, nov. 25, 1948.
- 2.item #55 Pike to McMahon, March 30,1950.
- 3.item #56 Ignatieff to Arneson, April 25,1950.
- 4.item #57 Ignatieff to Arneson, Aug. 4, 1950.
- 5.item #57A Arneson to Le Baron, Jan. 23, 1951.
- 6.item #58 Phillips to Haselton, March 9,1951.
- 7.item #58A Dean to Sec.State, June 22,1951.
- 8.item #59 Ignatieff to Arneson, June 23,1952.
- 9.item #60 Ignatieff to Arneson, June 27, 1952.

file 21.13 Canada: General.

- 10.item #64 Lovett to Dean, Dec. 12, 1951.
- 11.item #64A Foster to Marann, May 4,1948.
- 12. item #65 Stone to Guillion, March 8,1947.

Total:12 documentary citations.

13.item #66 Entire folder-file 21.13.Canada-Personnel Concerned with atomic energy,1952.

Box 82:United Kingdom.

- 21.89 Atomic Development Program
- 1.item #59 Report, June 1,1950.
- 2.item #60 Memo, March 19,1948(Guillion).
- 3.item #61 Henderson to Arneson, Oct. 22, 1948.
- 4.item #62 Memo, Arneson, July 8,1949.
- 5. item #63 Memo, Arneson to Volpe, July 7,1949.
- 6.item #64, Memo, Arneson, Feb. 26, 1951

Box 83:United Kingdom. 21.89 General

- 1.item #2:Partial folder for 1945
- 2.item #4:Partial folder for 1946.
- 3.item #5 Memo Guillian, May 20,1947. 4.item #6 Memo Guillian to Marks, Feb. 24,1947.
 - 5.item #7:Partial folder for 1951.
 - 6.item #8 Arneson to le Baron, Feb. 18, 1952.

Total: 12 documentary citations.