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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

June 7, 1966

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NOTE FOR

✓ Mr. Bromley Smith  
Mr. Spurgeon Keeny

Please let me have any comments you may have at your earliest convenience. USIB is meeting this afternoon but we can still influence the procedure as we need. There will be a second attachment covering the AEC procedure for securing Presidential approval of the public announcement of foreign tests.



Charles E. Johnson

DEPT

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BKS

2 asked Don to suggest that State recommend what to do about:

1. Requests for data from other Pacific countries,
2. Requests from other LBT signatories.



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Monday, May 23, 1966  
6:10 p. m.

Mr. President:

Press leaks leading to speculative newspapers stories caused serious problems following the recent Chinese Communist nuclear test.

If you approve, I will send out the underlying memorandum which reminds everyone that all classified information about Chinese and French nuclear tests, as well as Soviet tests, is to be handled in a special and highly restricted way.

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By in, NARA, Date 2-10-05

FROM ACTING SECRETARY

FOR SECRETARY, ROSTOW AND MOYERS

SUBJECT: Chinese Nuclear Missile Test

1. Following is draft public statement cleared here by necessary agencies.

2. Begin proposed text:

a. A nuclear explosion has taken place in the atmosphere inside Communist China.

b. We have been aware of the Chinese efforts to develop missiles as well as nuclear weapons. A test of the type reported by Peking falls within the time period we had foreseen. We see no reason to alter our estimate of when they might have an operational capability.

~~Thinking here is that official statement should be made here by Dept. spokesman in order to play our reaction in low key.~~

Since Communist China has refused to sign the Limited Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, it can be expected that there will be further tests of this kind. It is unfortunate that they should continue to pollute the atmosphere in defiance of world opinion. End Text.

FYI Secretary McNamara statement of December 14, 1965, said *Chinese Communists* they are making intensive efforts to develop medium range ballistic missiles in the 700 to 1,000-mile range and one or more could be operational as early as 1967. End FYI

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3. Thinking ~~here~~ <sup>this</sup> is that ~~official~~ statement should be made here by Dept. spokesman in order to play our reaction in low key.

4. Please flash approval of statement and authorization to release here *in a.m.*

5. We have authorized AEC to release immediately following statement without further elaboration:

*quote one paragraph statement*

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FROM ACTING SECRETARY FOR SECRETARY ~~AND~~ ROSTOW *and Moyers*

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JOINT AEC/STATE MESSAGE

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2. 3. Begin proposed text:

a. ~~We have seen the statement from Peking that a guided missile-nuclear test has taken place. We can confirm that A explosion in the atmosphere inside Communist China nuclear/explosion has taken place. Any release of information on the test itself is a matter for the Atomic Energy Commission.~~

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No public release of information relating to the occurrence of foreign nuclear weapons tests will be made except as specifically authorized by the President. Public announcement authorized by the President will be made by the Atomic Energy Commission, unless otherwise directed by the President.

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