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1. On October 23, representatives of the U. S., U. K. and Canada met in Chalk River, Canada to discuss a proposed revision to the topics of the Declassification Guide for Responsible Reviewers which are concerned with the classification of the metallurgy of plutonium and its alloys.
2. A program for the study of an Advanced Engineering Test Reactor (AETR) has been approved as a Category II Project of the Unclassified Fields of Research.
3. The code word "Pied Piper" when referring to nuclear auxiliary power has been compromised and its use in this context should be discontinued immediately. The use of the code word "Pied Piper" for the over-all DOD program of an "Advanced Reconnaissance System" remains classified Secret, Defense Information. AEC projects in this program will be identified by "Systems for Nuclear Auxiliary Power" abbreviated SNAP; the Martin Company Project will be identified as SNAP I and the Atomics International Project will be identified as SNAP II. These terms are not code names but abbreviations of the identification of the project. These projects should not be identified on an unclassified basis with any phase of the Pied Piper Project.
4. All AEC and contractor personnel should be advised that at the present time there is an Organization Coordinating Board embargo on weapons and weapons-connected statements by Executives Branch agencies.
5. It has been determined that the association of the "lay-down" program with a specific Mark number is classified C-DI. The DOD has advised all military personnel involved in this program of the subject classification determination.
6. A representative of the Division of Classification met with representatives of AIOO, IASL, SAN and UCRL on October 23 to discuss a draft Classification Guide for the Weapons Use of Beryllium. The proposed guide will cover the Research and Development Programs of IASL and Livermore and also the Production Program at Brush Beryllium Company.

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7. To clarify the problem of "transclassification", the authority to classify (which includes the authority to transclassify) is specified in AEC 3401-07. Although the topics of 3401-07 do not include the word "transclassify" the phrases from 3401-07 "may classify documents" and 3401-074 "to classify documents" includes the authority to transclassify as well as classify. The procedures for authorizing the transclassification of Top Secret and Secret or Confidential documents is specified in AEC 3401-101 and -102 respectively. The mechanics of effecting a transclassification action is desired in 3401-112.
8. Although topics for the Army Package Power Reactor, Fort Belvoir, Va. (APPR-1) in the Army Reactor Section of OC-Doc-44, Reactor Supplement are now unclassified, it should be noted this classification guidance applies only to information for the APPR-1 at Fort Belvoir, Va. Information not covered by the listed topics may still require classification under topic 10-100 of the Guide. The APPR-1, APPR-1a (etc.), ALPR or other reactor programs and related research and development programs under the cognizance of the AEC Army Reactors Branch, do not fall within the Unclassified Fields of Research (AEC 3403-05). These reactors are military reactors and are not included in the unclassified reactor listing of the Supplement to OC-Doc-44 (pages 29 and 30). Therefore paragraph 1 of the Monthly Classification Bulletin Number 9, dated July 11, 1957 does not apply to such reactors.
9. The Declassification Branch, Oak Ridge has contacted all class "D" security facilities, i.e., those facilities whose contracts have been terminated but which still hold classified documents, to arrange for declassification review of their classified files. The files of two facilities have been declassified, one by an "on-the-spot" review, the second be a review of all of the documents forwarded to the Declassification Branch.

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