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Memorandum

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TO : Those Listed Below

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FROM : C. L. Marshall, Director
Division of Classification, Headquarters

SUBJECT: MONTHLY CLASSIFICATION BULLETIN NO. 48

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1. On November 16, 1960, the New York Herald Tribune published the following statement credited to President Eisenhower:

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"Today the Polaris Submarine, U.S.S. George Washington, leaves the U.S. for the high seas. It will be the first of its kind to become operational and inaugurates a new technique of deterrence, roving and hidden under the seas. With sixteen thermonuclear missiles a piece, the George Washington and her following sister ships possess a power and relative invulnerability which will make suicidal any attempt by an aggressor to attack the free world by surprise."

The above statement is not be considered as authority to declassify information covered by topics 1.071, 8.252, 8.253, and 8.254 of OC Doc-71. Any unavoidable unclassified references to the fact that the Polaris has a thermonuclear warhead should reference the specific Presidential statement quoted above.

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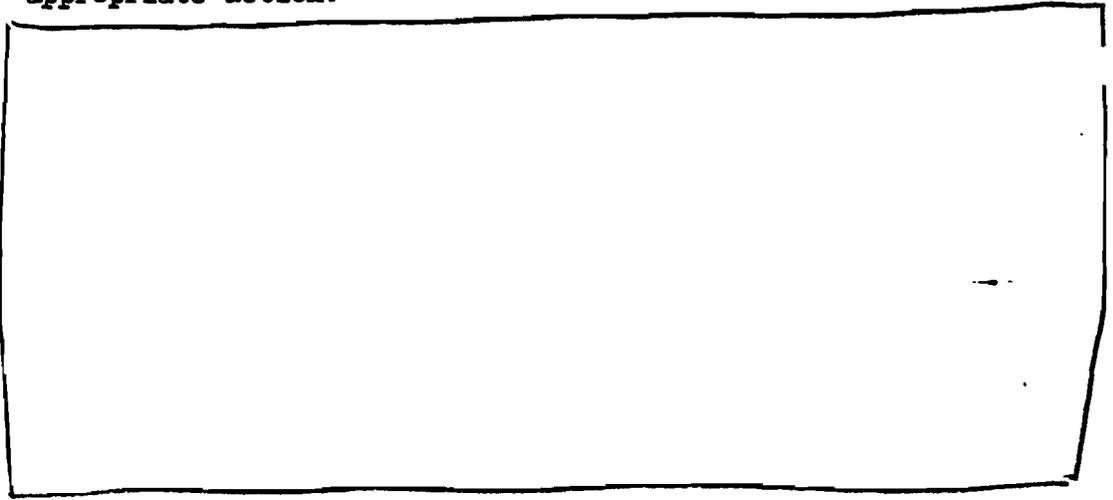
3. Paragraph 5 of a memorandum dated November 3, 1960 from Forrest Western, Acting Director, Office of Health and Safety, subject: "Environmental Monitoring Reports", states:

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"It is requested that environmental monitoring reports contain no references to foreign activities."

This paragraph "is not intended to prevent reporting activity detected at the AEC sites due to foreign nuclear detonations if occurrence of such nuclear detonations has been publicly released. However, it is necessary to prevent the release of information which could relate to a foreign nuclear detonation not previously published. To insure proper control on reporting of radioactivity which may be due to foreign nuclear detonations, it is requested that all such monitoring reports with reference to such foreign activities be submitted to the Director of Intelligence through the Division of Classification for review and appropriate action."

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