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To: Security  
Colonel Seeman  
Division Leaders  
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/From: N. E. Bradbury

It is proposed to send the statement below to both current and terminated group and division leaders of this project. Even before declassification goes through it may be possible to get certain types of articles published. Comment is invited on this procedure.

"It is anticipated that it will become possible in the not too distant future to release for publication certain articles on fundamental nuclear physics, chemistry, metallurgy, explosives, and instrumentation. It is therefore suggested that the preparation for publication of such articles as pertain to basic science and do not involve weapon materials or techniques be given serious consideration. (It must be emphasized, however, that the preparation of chapters for the Los Alamos Technical Series takes precedence over any other articles.) Pending the adoption of a declassification procedure, such articles as it is desired to submit for publication will be transmitted via this office and the Los Alamos Security Office to Washington for final clearance. Care should of course be taken that proper author and assistance credit is given in any article submitted, and this office should be informed as to whether or not the material in the article is drawn from any existing Los Alamos report.

It is proposed to review ultimately the Los Alamos reports and select those which appear suitable (with possible modification) for publication under the declassification procedure. The senior author of such reports will then be contacted and asked if he wishes to prepare the report for publication after deleting any necessary sections. In the event none of the authors wishes to prepare the report, the report if technically sound may ultimately be prepared for publication locally. In view of the shortage of personnel, this may greatly delay its appearance."

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