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H.E. Assembly at V-Site

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1. This memo is written to formalize in writing our agreements on the use of the H.E. assembly building at V-Site.

2. It is my understanding that it is your recommendation that the operation of assembly of H.E. units is sufficiently non-hazardous that extra personnel may work at V-Site simultaneously with the assembly even though their presence is not required for the actual assembly. In view of this, we will plan for work to continue at V-Site during the assembly process. However, it is our assumption that I-Division will be responsible to notify us at any time the work becomes sufficiently hazardous that it is considered inadvisable for as many as 20 people to be working at V-Site on other matters. This notification is to be in addition to the general notification that H.E. assembly is being undertaken and to the special notification to S-Site, P-Site and K-Sites when operations involving risks to those sites are undertaken.

3. It is agreed by my group that in addition to the assembly of units for actual use at V-Site, the assembly of units to be used elsewhere may be assembled in that building provided that the total time occupied in assembly by Group X-2 does not exceed 1/3 of the normal working days of the month and that the time during which extra-hazardous operations require the evacuation of V-Site personnel does not exceed four days per month. If at any time it becomes apparent that more than this amount of assembly will be required by Group X-2, Group X-2 will obtain an assembly building away from V-Site. An effort should be made to anticipate this need sufficiently in advance for the construction not to require an excessively high priority.

4. It is, of course, to be understood that both O-2 and X-2 Groups have work which will involve the use of the assembly building and which may require the evacuation of the site by most of the personnel. In case of conflicts between the needs of the two groups neither groups should be considered to have an automatic priority over the other. In such cases the decision will have to be made on the basis of the relative urgencies of the conflicting jobs.

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