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In accord with the above referenced authorization, Sandia is planning two special AEC-sponsored underground test events for nuclear vulnerability/hardening studies in FY 1966. The planning of the first event is based on a scheduled shot date of September 23, 1965. The second event will be planned based on a shot date in March 1966. The above events are primarily to accommodate the needs of the Sandia Laboratory. These plans will be re-examined as appropriate to accommodate the needs of the DOD and the nuclear weapon laboratories or to utilize, as a substitute, the add-on space that may become available on those events planned to fulfill primarily the needs of the nuclear weapon laboratories.

The planning of the event for September 1965 has been carried sufficiently far that a proposal for its conduct is currently being reviewed. Subsequent to the review, I will forward copies to you for approval in advance of your May 1, 1965 request for detailed plans for the FY 1966 program. In order that we may meet a shot date in September 1965, some field work will be necessary to provide a shot hole by that date. The Planning Board at NVO may be able to adjust the NVO financial plan to cover FY 1965 expenditures. However, for presentation to the Planning Board, we need a statement from your office that the planning authorized in your letter be broadened to add authorization to expend funds. The amount involved for FY 1965 is approximately \$300,000.

The participation of the AEC laboratories on the DOD events, coordinated by the Sandia Laboratory, appears at this early date to be quite satisfactory. We are participating on the Wishbone event, are finalizing plans to participate on the Raindrop event, and will plan to participate on the Pinstripe event tentatively scheduled for approximately November 1965.

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