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VIA: W. E. Kelley, Manager  
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Dear Dr. Fisk:

Subject: UNCLASSIFIED AREAS OF RESEARCH (Ref. GSI-ISedob;rah)

In reply to your letter of March 8, 1948 requesting a point of view on the setting up of unclassified areas of research, we have discussed the matter and have concluded that the program at the University of Rochester Atomic Energy Project would be facilitated if this principle could be applied to the following fields:

(1) All work on the biological effects of (a) roentgen radiation, ultra-violet, and infra-red radiation; (b) radiation from all radioactive elements except those whose existence may not be disclosed or in which the Commission's interest may not be disclosed.

(2) All work on the industrial toxicology of elements and compounds except those whose existence may not be disclosed or in which the Commission's interest may not be disclosed.

(3) All work on patients unless classified materials are involved.

(4) Health physics and related instrumentation.

(5) All ordinary biological, medical, chemical, and physical research carried out on Project premises, including the use of unclassified isotopes.

We have not attempted to answer any of the broader philosophical

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questions with respect to free or restricted research because practically all of our work is eventually declassified, and, therefore, most of these considerations do not apply.

Very sincerely yours,

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