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Subject: PROJECT 4.5

Dear Col. Hartford:

Attached is an outline of approved Project 4.5, Operation Tumbler/Snapper, which was submitted to this office on 4 March 1952. Part of this experiment involves the use of human subjects in which there is a possibility that permanent eye damage may result.

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In Operation Bester/Jangle there was a similar experiment conducted by the Air Force, wherein the observation was made from an airplane and at that time this office requested the military organization involved to furnish by document release of AEC responsibility in the event of permanent eye damage to the individuals.

It is my opinion that similar arrangements should be made with the military organization for Project 4.5 Tumbler/Snapper. If you agree, please advise me as to whether you consider this request should come from the Test Director's or from the Test Manager's Office.

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Very truly yours,

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