

Decisions

1. General Styer will see General Strong to secure information as to ability of Army Intelligence to secure information with respect to progress in Germany.

2. Dr. Conant will reply to Mr. Akers to the effect that we will consent to their securing the heavy water production from Trail (less such small amounts as may be necessary for experimentation) subject to review and modification in the future by Messrs. Conant, Akers and Mackenzie.

3. Dr. Conant will arrange for a free interchange of information with the British through Doctors Compton and Halban with respect to the Chicago process only. All other interchange of information will be between Dr. Conant and Mr. Akers for the British and Mr. Mackenzie for the Canadians. Arrangements for discussions on details between Americans and others will be made with Dr. Conant by either Mr. Akers or Mr. Mackenzie.

4. If it is feasible to make heavy water at ammonia plants arrangements will be made with the duPont Company for the design and construction of one such plant; the design to be suitable for use at additional plants.

5. We will proceed with the construction of an electromagnetic plant capacity for a minimum production of 0.1 kg. per day; and will operate such plant.

6. We will proceed with the construction of and ultimate operation of a power method plant capacity for the production of 1.0 kg. per day if this method does not prove to be unfeasible.

7. No action should be taken at this time towards the construction of a centrifuge plant.

8. The pilot diffusion plant work of the Kellogg Company will continue. However, their needs for materials will not be allowed to interfere either with the power method or the electromagnetic method.

9. If the Kellogg Company presents satisfactory evidence of scientific ability to the S-1 Committee and of engineering ability to General Groves they will be authorized to go ahead with the engineering of a diffusion plant of 600 units.

10. Necessary steps will be taken to bring duPont into the picture at Chicago in lieu of Stone & Webster.

11. General Groves will draw up a draft of a memorandum to the President with the assistance of the other members of the Committee; this draft will be discussed prior to submission.

12. In view of the many uncertainties, it would be unwise at this time to request the TVA to increase their power facilities, by any construction, in order to meet the potential demands of this project.

PRESENT:

Dr. Bush, Dr. Conant, Admiral Purnell, Major General Styer, Brigadier General Groves
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