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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Teams of investigators headed by General Farrell are moving into Japan with our occupying forces. Their mission is to make absolutely certain that there can be no possible ill effects to American troops from radioactive materials at either Hiroshima or Nagasaki as well as to ascertain the extent of all damage at these two places. Although we felt that Japanese casualties from radioactivity were unlikely it is most important, for the future of the atomic bomb work as well as for historical reasons, that we determine the facts.

As soon as General MacArthur is established in Japan, the remaining scientific personnel and all secret equipment at Tinian will be brought back to the United States.

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