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National Security Decision Memorandum 182

TO: The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission

SUBJECT:Continuing Authority to Deliver NuclearMaterials and to Acquire Utilization Facilities

Pursuant to Section 91b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, the President directs the Atomic Energy Commission:

a. To deliver special nuclear material to the Department of Defense in such quantities and at such times as necessary for cores for new military reactors and for replacement cores for existing military reactors, and for miscellaneous purposes (other than use in atomic weapons), for which material, fabrication, and new reactors the Congress shall have authorized funds.

b. To authorize the Department of Defense to manufacture, produce, or acquire utilization facilities for military purposes for which facilities the Congress shall have authorized funds.

The President grants the Atomic Energy Commission continuing authority to engage in the activities herein directed until such time as this authority may be amended or withdrawn.

The Atomic Energy Commission will report to the President at the end of each fiscal year the amount of special nuclear material that has been transferred and the utilization facilities acquired or operated during that year, along with the budgetary costs for these materials and reactor acquisitions.

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cc: The Secretary of Defense

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