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MEMORANDUM TO MR. JACKSON

SUBJECT: An Estimate of Soviet and Non-Soviet Reactions to U. S. Nuclear Energy Tests and Probable Consequent Actions and Results

Soviet diplomacy and propaganda, in developing its "peace" campaign, would utilize forthcoming U. S. nuclear energy tests as further proof of U. S. "aggressive" intentions, whether or not these tests were announced publicly.

In Europe and Britain general reaction to such tests will be favorable as an indication of continuing U. S. leadership in atomic weapons.

There will be no significant reaction in the Near and Middle East to such tests, except possible criticism by India.

There will be little reaction in the Far East, except for drawing Japan into closer alignment with the United States.

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