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Dr. James B. Conant, Chairman National Defense Research Committee PER DUG REVIEW JAM. 1973 1530 P Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Conant:

As you may remember, we have a project at Purdue University, of which Marshall Holloway is the Official Investigator. This project will probably not have completed its work until mid-summer, at which time the men are planning to transfer to the laboratory at Los Alamoss Two of the men are from Cornell and there will be no trouble about their release. The other two, Dr. L. D. Percival King, and Dr. Raemer E. Schreiber, are working on our project, but are Purdue men. The Chaarman of the Department, Dr. Lark-Horowitz will, I expect, have some reluctance about seeing them go, eventthough at the present time they are working full time for the project and are not contributing any time to the affairs of the department. I have been advised by Dr. Holloway that it would be helpful if a request for leave from Purdue for King and Schreiber could be initiated at once, in order that new men may be trained to replace them in the operation of the cyclotron. I should be glad to do this myself, but thought that it was perhaps a case where I should refer the matter to you. The estimated time of their removal is August 1, but it is possible that their work will be finished somewhat sooner.

On the matter of Burdick and Drewes, Dr. Mitchell has talked further with Dr. Tate and is convinced himself that we should not be justified in further insisting on their release. This is melancholy news for me, but I think it will be reassuring to you to know that when the facts are presented to us we are able to see both sides.



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The enclosed memorandum from Dr. Long is selfexplanatory. Long is our cryogenist, and in the interval before the cryogenic equipment is installed he will be concerned with its design and construction and with helping out our chemists. I think we are very lucky to have his services and would appreciate it if you can comply with his request.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Oppenheimer

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