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Buccessful firing of Booster would give improved insurance toward reducing such

Prospects in the international situation and the magnitude of task force mobilization costs certainly do not indicate that firing of Booster during some future operation will be any easier, more certain or less expensive than during Greenhouse.

"The above considerations have led the Commission to conclude that in the interest of the Wespon Development Program as a whole, Booster should be fired. Since any technical developments which might reverse the Commission's conclusion above revolve largely around the Los Alamos Laboratory Program, we are requesting Dr. Bradbury to give special attention to this problem during the intervening weeks.

I have accordingly dispatched the following THX to Graves at Eniwatok:

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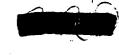
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