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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 6, 1975

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FOR:

FROM: JIM CANNON

Attached for your information.
The work plan mentioned in
paragraph five will be ready
on Tuesday, June 10, 1975.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 6, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

BY: JIM CANNON *Jac*

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S DECISION AND DIRECTION ON URANIUM ENRICHMENT

1. The President chose Option 1, the private enterprise alternative.
2. He wants the message and legislation worked out so that if the private enterprise group finds it cannot perform on schedule, then ERDA must be ready to proceed with its add-on diffusion plant so that no time is lost in reaching the increase in nuclear enrichment capacity.
3. He wants the enriched uranium team--White House, ERDA, FEA, OMB, etc.--to get going right away to advance this project.
4. This is a tremendous opportunity for this country--and so important to him that he may want to deliver a special message to a Joint Session of Congress on what this means to the future of the country.

-- This would not be a dramatic appeal to the country, but a hard factual message designed to get the attention of the Members of the House and Senate, and to get results in Congress.
5. He wants the Domestic Council to prepare, by early next week, a work plan showing a schedule for all documents, all contacts, and all other efforts that need to be undertaken, with the responsibility for each element of the project is to be clearly established.
6. For those responsible, nothing else should have a higher priority.

cc:

Secretary Morton
Mr. Rumsfeld
Mr. Hartmann
Mr. Buchen
Mr. Marsh
Mr. Seidman
Mr. Friedersdorf
Mr. Lynn
Mr. Scowcroft
Mr. Connor
Mr. Zarb

Mr. Seamans
Mr. Dunham
Mr. Cavanaugh

~~President~~ ~~President~~ - ~~U.S. Army~~
~~Switzerland~~
6/6/75
A. Nixon I

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President - meeting on
Fri - Warren S. ... 6/6/75
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(by ERDA in
either case)

2) Go to Congress w/ final
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late this summer
or early next

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 5, 1975

MEETING ON URANIUM ENRICHMENT

Friday, June 6, 1975
2:00 p.m. (30 minutes)
The Cabinet Room

From: Jim Cannon 

I. PURPOSE

For you to hear views on this matter before you make your decision.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS, AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

The narrow issue for your decision is whether to propose that the next increment of U.S. uranium enrichment capacity be:

- . A privately-owned diffusion plant, with Federal Government back-up, or
- . A Government-owned diffusion plant added on to an existing ERDA plant.

The broader implications of the decision are whether:

- . Future U.S. production of uranium enrichment will be by private enterprise or the Government.
- . The U.S. will maintain its leadership as the free world's supplier of enriched uranium.



B. Participants:

The Secretary of State
The Secretary of the Interior
Brent Scowcroft
Bill Seidman
Jack Marsh
Jim Cannon
Bob Seamans
Alan Greenspan

Jim Lynn
Phil Buchen
Frank Zarb
Jim Connor
Bob Fri
Jim Cavanaugh
Glenn Schleede
Max Friedersdorf
Robert Hartmann
Don Rumsfeld (Cheney for)

C. Press Plan:

To be announced as the President is meeting with staff on energy related issues.

III. TALKING POINTS

1. As I said when we met on this issue on May 23rd, I believe it is essential that we move quickly on it and that we send our legislative proposal to the Congress by June 30.
2. I want to hear the views of supporters of both options before making a decision.
3. Bob (Seamans), would you or Bob Fri (ERDA Deputy):
 - . Give a brief summary of the new proposal from the consortium (UEA) and outline the actions that you believe would be necessary to make the proposal work, and
 - . Follow up with a summary of the Government plant alternative.

SPECIAL NOTE: Since sending you the decision paper on this issue, we have developed a chart which reflects estimated employment for Alternatives 1 and 2. (Tab A)



June 4, 1975



ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IMPACT OF URANIUM ENRICHMENT CAPACITY EXPANSION ALTERNATIVES

Employment at End of Calendar Year

	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
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Alternative 1 (UEA 9 million SWU plant)

Design and Engineering (probably California)	700	700	400	150	150	150	150	-	-	-
Project Management	80	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Onsite Construction (Alabama)	-	2,000	4,000	6,000	7,000	4,000	2,000	-	-	-
Operation (Alabama)	-	60	150	300	500	800	1,000	1,100	1,100	1,100
Power Plants Construction and Operation (Alabama)	-	200	700	1,200	1,700	1,900	1,600	800	200	200
ERDA Support (Tennessee)	80	110	110	110	110	110	110	60	-	-
Total ^{1/}	860	3,170	5,460	7,860	9,560	7,060	4,960	2,060	1,400	1,400

Alternative 2 (ERDA 5 million SWU add-on)

Design and Engineering	100	200	400	400	300	200	200	100	100	40
ERDA Management Support (Tennessee)	50	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	50
Onsite Construction (Ohio)	100	450	1,300	2,400	2,800	2,700	1,500	1,000	100	50
Operation (Ohio)	200	350	450	650	900	950	950	550	350	230
Power Plant Construction and Operation (Ohio)	-	200	500	700	1,000	900	700	150	150	150
Total ^{1/}	450	1,300	2,750	4,250	5,100	4,850	3,450	1,900	600	520

^{1/} Excludes employment at equipment suppliers.