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TO : Chief, SRS

DATE: 5 November 1956

FROM

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SUBJECT: Attached Request for ARTICHOKE

A study of the attached request for use of ARTICHOKE has been made by SRS [REDACTED], and in the writer's opinion the use of ARTICHOKE in this particular case should be denied.

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The basic reason for denial is that apparently the Subject and [REDACTED] If the Subject is given ARTICHOKE and then turned loose he certainly would be more valuable to [REDACTED] ARTICHOKE than before, particularly if the Subject returns to [REDACTED]. The case, therefore, presents a very difficult disposal problem.

In addition, analysis of this material suggests that the entire matter could well be a [REDACTED] inspired operation.

Furthermore, even if the need for the ARTICHOKE overruled the above objections, for the record it should be noted that it would be very difficult to assemble an ARTICHOKE team in less than three or four weeks since we have no information as to whether our medical officer or a substitute for him could be obtained upon such short notice particularly at this time of year.

In summary, although the age, health and mental attitude of the Subject appear satisfactory, the objections to the use of ARTICHOKE in this case in the opinion of SRS outweigh the need for the use of the technique.

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