

**SECRET EYES ONLY**, 11. 1962

**MEMORANDUM**

Addendum to Memorandum for the Record of May 10, 1962

**SUBJECT:** Discussion with General Eisenhower, Mr. McCann and Mr. Forrestal present.

Among the comments made by General Eisenhower in an off-the-cuff and most probably in an unconsidered manner were the following:

If he were sending troops into Laos, he would follow them up with whatever support was necessary to achieve the objectives of their mission, including -- if necessary -- the use of tactical nuclear weapons.

General Eisenhower recalled that when he first came into office, the Korean war had been going on for two years, and a policy had been established that foreclosed military strikes north of the Yalu. He said that this had been a mistake, and that the enemy should have been hit at his sources of supply.

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