

Short note of 5/20: First Times use anything on Pentagon Papers 6/13/71. I think I've already written what I have in mind on this and note the justification of Nixon in the Hunt cable faking.

Your ref to Dulles in 1954 and Nixon's support makes me wish I'd kept Nixon's wanting to use atom bomb there and could bracket with his I'm the only man of peace speech, the one in which he said he alone had nothing to do with beginning that war, only ending it. So, aside from the possibility the faking was done to enable Nixon, there is what I regard as the more likely one, that it was done after he sounded off so he could be defended.