



**Department of Energy**  
Washington, DC 20585

April 5, 2019

Mr. Steven Aftergood  
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Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This letter formally responds to your email request dated October 1, 2018, for declassification of certain information classified under the Atomic Energy Act. You requested "... that the Department of Energy (and the Department of Defense) authorize declassification of the size of the total U.S. nuclear stockpile and the number of weapons dismantled as of the end of fiscal year 2018." Your request was forwarded to the Department of Defense for consideration by the Formerly Restricted Data Declassification Working Group (FRD DWG) on October 11, 2018.

After careful consideration by the FRD DWG, it was determined that the requested information cannot be declassified at this time. DOE was notified of this decision on April 1, 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew P. Weston-Dawkes".

Andrew P. Weston-Dawkes  
Director  
Office of Classification  
Office of Environment, Health,  
Safety and Security

