



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

November 23, 2020

Mr. Steven Aftergood
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Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This letter formally responds to your email request dated September 30, 2020, 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 2020." Your request was forwarded to the Department of Defense for consideration by the Formerly Restricted Data Declassification Working Group (FRD DWG) on October 15, 2020.

After careful consideration by the FRD DWG it was determined that the information requested cannot be declassified at this time. Your request was denied on November 12, 2020.

Sincerely,

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

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