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Summary:

P. H. Philip of the South African Department of Foreign Affairs forwards material on South Africa's application to the United States for financial assistance with the development of a reactor for nuclear research.

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Please see attached papers on application to United States for financial assistance towards erection of research reactor. You will observe that the procedure proposed in the memo has been approved by the Acting Minister.

I have discussed this with Dr. Schumann who agrees with the proposal made in paragraph 7 (a). As for 7 (b) he does not think it necessary to raise matter at Board meeting on 9th way.

The next step is therefore to ask the Embassy in Washington to obtain more details of the "areas of the project" within which USAEC would consider applications for assistance. I should be grateful if this could be done from Pretoria since you have Washington's report of the 30th April, and also you can consult with Board as to phrasing of a request. Could the matter therefore please be passed to Boet Wulan for attention.

I understand from Dr. Schumann that he is still short of £125,000 for the initial cost of the reactor.

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