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MEMORANDUM TO: Colonel Robert G. Storey
Documentation Division

I have read over certain trial runs on various subjects prepared by the Projects Branch of your division. I want you, Mr. Albrecht and all the men in the Projects Branch to know that I am greatly pleased with the caliber of work being performed by this branch as evidenced by the samples you have shown me.

None of us, of course, regards these trial runs as final trial briefs, for it is obvious that the documents, interrogations and research work all will have to be welded together by the committees before anything in the nature of a final trial brief can be developed.

However, it seems to me that the trial runs prepared by the Projects Branch are the best possible way in which the documentary evidence can be passed along to the committees. The alternative, which would be merely to transmit piles of undigested raw documents, seems to me clearly unworkable. As the chairman of Committee No. 4 I find it not only helpful but essential that documents furnished me should be digested and marshaled by those who have been close to and familiar with the total mass of available documents.

I hope that you will continue the practice of furnishing the committees with documentary evidence in the form of trial runs.

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Chief of Counsel