

There's only been four that we put out on the offensive sites and none of them come up to . . .

**Bundy:** Donny, there are some special restrictions on some of these pictures. But I think the President's good decision is that everything is waived, and you get the one you like best.

**President Kennedy:** Among those that have been, in one place or another, released.

**Wilson:** OK. Including yesterday at the U.N. All right, sir.

**John McCloy:** If I may make a suggestion on that. I've been up talking to the delegations up there, that have been going over this briefing of those sites there, with some effect I think. They're rather taken aback by the speed with which these things occurred. But one of the things that's been most impressive to them, that we didn't have the second time but we had the first time, was that picture of the big bomb going through Red Square.<sup>13</sup> Now, that isn't the same bomb, the same missile that we have down there but it's a smaller, it looks as if it's half a city block long. And I'd stick that in there. Because that made them raise their eyebrows. At least, there's nothing defensive about this affair. This is really out of this world, in terms of size. That ought to go back up again [*unclear*] with that second briefing we had yesterday.

The other thing that I think we ought to do is to stress just as strongly as we can—I assume that you're intensifying all your pressure on the island of Cuba now—but to give them a political . . . Because if they don't give a damn—if you want to be fools enough to have a Castro government, you can have him. But at this point I don't think you ought to give them a chance to say we're trying to attack the government. But this is where this man is bringing you. But one thing that we're not going to . . . But [say]: "He's [Castro] bringing you [the Cuban people] to a point of disaster, and a point of risk."

**President Kennedy:** We've got a pretty good message. In any case, you can have all, any of the pictures, and do it whatever way you think best, that have been released.

**Wilson:** All right, sir, I think I'd better do that now. But I'm going to need to get with Mr. [*unclear*] shop.

**McNamara:** Let me just add that there are 18 separate photographs, specially selected, that are available for *Time* magazine. Be sure you include that line. They have the best of the lot.

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13. The first time was the first briefings on Tuesday, 23 October, and the second the briefings on Thursday, 25 October.