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**Summary:**

Memorandum of the Special Committee of the CC CPSU postponing the geological prospecting for uranium in North Korea.

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**Contents:**

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Moscow, Kremlin 12 April 1948 Top Secret Spec. Hard copy of the Special Committee: Coms. Beria, Malenkov, Voznesenskii, Zavenyagin, Makhnev. [...] IX. On prospecting for A-9 [uranium-SR] in North Korea (cc. Beria, Voznesenskii, Zavenyagin, Malyshev, Lomako, Borisov) Postpone the discussion of this question, entrust cc. Malyshev, Lomako and Zavenyagin to meticulously discuss once again the expediency of conducting in North Korea prospecting work for A-9 and to submit their proposals for discussion by the S[pecial] C[ommittee] in two weeks' time. [...] Chairman of the Special Committee under the Council of Ministers of the USSR L. Beria