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FROM THE ARMY TO YOU

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WASHINGTON D C JUNE 25  
TO THE EMPLOYEES OF BASIC MAGNESIUM INCORPORATED  
POST OFFICE BOX 1150  
LAS VEGAS NEVADA

EVERYONE OF YOU IS FIGHTING THE AXIS WHETHER YOU ARE MAGNESIUM PRODUCERS OR CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, YOU ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE DEFEAT OF THE NAZIS AND THE JAPS. LIKE THE SOLDIERS OF THE FIRING LINE, YOU ARE CALLED UPON TO UNDERGO PERSONAL HARDSHIPS IN THE DESERT. THE ARMY COUNTS ON YOU, THE SOLDIERS OF PRODUCTION, TO STAY ON THE JOB, OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES AND WORK FOR VICTORY. TOGETHER WE'LL CRUSH HITLER AND HIS GANG. = PATTERSON = UNDER SECRETARY OF WAR.

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA  
JUNE 25, 1942

ROBERT F. PATTERSON, UNDERSECRETARY OF WAR,  
WAR DEPARTMENT,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

THANKS FOR YOUR TELEGRAM. IT WILL BE A GREAT DAY HERE WHEN MAGNESIUM FROM THIS PLANT IN BULLETS AND BOMBS JARS THE JAPS AND NAZIS. YOU CAN COUNT ON ALL OF US.

H. C. MANN  
FOR EMPLOYEES AT BASIC MAGNESIUM PROJECT

YOU CAN  
COUNT  
ON US,  
UNCLE  
SAM!

SO YOU WILL KNOW WHAT'S COOKIN'

TO ALL EMPLOYEES ON THE B.M.I. PROJECT:-

The telegram from Robert F. Patterson, Undersecretary of War, drives home the fact that the Army wants magnesium and wants it pronto. It's your job and mine, as our part in the war, to get this plant into production and to push that production to full capacity.

The plant you are building here is the biggest of its kind in the world. You are performing tasks here that have never been performed anywhere. B.M.I. wants every man and woman on the project to know more about the job, more about the meaning your work bears to

the war we've got to win, more about the size of the job you're doing, and more about the progress of the work.

To give you such information—without tipping off the enemy—Basic will publish and distribute to you at regular intervals, issues of THE BIG JOB. This is the first. Others will be published soon. Meantime, let's get magnesium to the boys on the fighting fronts.

H. C. Mann,  
Project Manager