

Research Plan and Introduction

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The use of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima was the result of the attack on Pearl Harbor that killed a lot of soldiers. The decision was made by President Truman after advising with members of government, scientists, parties of the Manhattan Project came to the conclusion that the use of the bomb was the only way to end World War II. Knowing the fact there were not enough research done on the atomic bomb and the long term health effects on humans did not impact The President decision. The aftermath left the people of Hiroshima without homes, sustained major and minor injuries, the country left in shambles, long term illness from radiation exposure, and the loss of hope and dignity those survivors endured. In the late 1950s the world was dealing with the aftermath of the atomic bomb. Martin Luther King Jr. led the Civil Rights Movement and the Montgomery Boycott until his death in 1968. There were studies from primary and secondary sources used (Reynolds and Lynch 1955), (Mallory, S. C. 2012), Siemes, J. A. (1945, Aug.6), Manhattan Engineer District. (1946, June 29). were done from interviews that were done on the survivors who can remember what they were doing at the moment the bomb was dropped. They explicit the injuries that was sustain such as burned children and adults from the blast, cuts to face, body, neck, head contusions. They give reconciliation of homes, land, buildings destroyed, and how the country were in shambles. Some studies provided data that will never be able to give accurate account of the exact number of the dead and injured will ever be possible and the causes of death in areas of greatest destruction can only be estimated. Both of the primary and secondary sources (Reynolds and Lynch 1955), (Mallory, S. C. 2012), Siemes, J. A.

(1945, Aug. 6)., Manhattan Engineer District. (1946, June29), all related by providing data in the use of charts, graphs, pictures of the injured and uninjured, injuries sustain, death count, homes and building destroyed and interviews from the survivors. As time progress in the late 20th century American scientist developed nuclear technology, put humans on the moon, and at the vanguard of Immunizations techniques. Most people question: Was the United States justified of dropping the atomic bomb in Hiroshima that cause long term health and radiation effects of the people in Japan. There were multiple studies done before the use of the bomb and its possible effects on humans and the President Truman still chose to use that weapon of mass destruction against Hiroshima. The sources I used add to my understanding of my selected topic “The Effects of the Atomic Bomb on Civilians” provided the types of injuries sustain, estimated counts of the injured and uninjured, death toll, how the land, homes, buildings were destroyed. I will always wonder if the death toll could be higher or lower due to the studies done that can only provide estimates. I also learned thru further research of my sources that scientist knew that more research needed to be done on the atomic bomb to study what will be the long term effects of radiation exposure on humans and presented that data to President Truman and he still chose to make the decision to drop the atomic bomb over Hiroshima.

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