

Architect Handoff Notes

Date: 2025-12-11 **To:** Incoming Architect / Builder **Focus:** Phase 2.5 (Animation Modernization)

Context

We have finalized the Roadmap (v2.0.3).

- **Strategy:** Stateless, Three-Slot UI.
- **Next Phase (Phase 3):** Building the Web MVP using CQ WW as the "Pathfinder" test case.
- **Current Block:** We must finish **Phase 2.5** to remove `ffmpeg` dependencies before we start Dockerizing in Phase 3.

The Immediate Task: Phase 2.5

We must convert the Animation report to Plotly. This allows us to build a lean Docker container in Phase 3 without complex video libraries.

Instructions for Next Session

1. **Execute:** Generate the Builder Execution Kit for Phase 2.5 (Animation).
2. **Verify:** Ensure `run_regression_test.py` is updated to handle `.html` comparison for animations.