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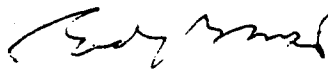
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June 4, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR NICHOLAS PLATT
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Draft Oral Message to Gorbachev

Attached is a proposed oral message to respond to General Secretary Gorbachev's oral statement which was received on Sunday June 1. Request you incorporate this into an outgoing cable. (S)


Rodney B. McDaniel
Executive Secretary

Attachment:
Draft Oral Message to Gorbachev

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DRAFT ORAL MESSAGE TO GORBACHEV

The President has received the General Secretary's oral statement which was delivered June 1 and welcomes the proposals for international cooperation in dealing with nuclear power plant safety. He has directed that United States Government officials include these constructive proposals in their ongoing study of possible international efforts to improve nuclear power plant safety. He hopes to communicate his detailed views to the General Secretary in the near future.

The President also shares the General Secretary's expressed desire to reduce the size of nuclear arsenals and to find ways to move ultimately to a cessation of nuclear testing and the elimination of nuclear weapons. He hopes, therefore, that the Soviet Union will join the United States in serious negotiations to implement the understandings reached in Geneva last November and to explore ways to verify progressive limitations on nuclear testing, which would move us toward these goals.

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