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February 19, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM: *Bill* WILL WRIGHT/*st* SVEN KRAEMER/*Don* DON MAHLEY/*Bob* BOB LINHARD

SUBJECT: INF Options in Responding to Gorbachev

Purpose. This package is designed to permit you to provide the President with the INF options for decision that are associated with formulating a US response to Gorbachev's 14 January letter.

Tab I provides a short memorandum to the President which forwards the following items:

- Tab A -- A Staff Summary and NSC Staff Recommendation
- Tab B -- INF Options Paper (OWL-24)
- Tab C -- Views of Department/Agency Principals
- Tab D -- Views of Allies

Tab II provides a set of talking points that you may wish to draw upon as you walk the President (and Secretaries Weinberger and Shultz) through the options pursuant to framing the issues for a decision.

Tab III provides a matrix as you requested of Linhard prior to this afternoon's SACG, giving a graphic presentation of the remaining four options and the Soviet warhead/missile levels associated with each of the contemplated steps within each of the geographic regions.

JCS Option. You should note that the JCS have now come in with a new option that combines old options A and E into a structure which looks like a variant of C. We have identified this as Option F, and we carried forward 4 options in the attached papers.

Recommendations

That you provide the memorandum at Tab I (with Tabs A-D) to the President for his review prior to engaging in discussions with the two Secretaries on the subject.

Approve *J* Disapprove _____

That you use the material at Tabs II & III in guiding the subsequent discussions on the matter.

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