THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

JCSM-65-81 12 March 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Military Strategy for Southwest Asia (U)

- . (C) The Joint Chiefs of Staff are aware that your staff and the National Security Council are currently reviewing Southwest Asia strategy and forward a memorandum summarizing aspects of the JCS Current-Force Strategy for Southwest Asia, which was provided to your office in December 1980.* They request that these views be incorporated in the development of national strategy for the region.
- 2. (U) The Joint Chiefs of Staff recommend that you use the attached memorandum (JCSM-66-81) to cause prompt interagency consideration of a national strategy for submission to the National Security Council and the President. Further, they believe that their views on this strategy should be the subject of an early meeting between the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the President.
- (U) Without attachment, this memorandum is CONFIDENTIAL.

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For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

DAVID C. JONES, General, USAF Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff ,

Attachment

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Reference: JCSM-296-80, 16 December 1980, "Current-Force Strategy for Southwest Asia (U)"

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