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Harold -

*I don't have
time - You ~~EDL~~ (41)
Date will be going -
Have a send-off
meeting with
other
chiefs
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

I believe you should meet with the Joint Chiefs of Staff for half an hour late this week or early next week, before we leave for the Summit.

This is a critical period in determining the positions each of them will take on whether the SALT II agreement is in our interest from a military point of view. Their judgments will be hedged in any event. More of them are likely to be affirmative if they evaluate the agreement in overall terms. But to encourage them to do that, it would be preferable for you to go over their concerns with them and point out how we are planning to handle each of them. Then you could emphasize the overall military-political context.

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