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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Vice President  
The Secretary of State  
The Secretary of Defense  
The Director, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency  
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff  
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for SCC Meeting on  
SALT, July 21, 1978

Attached is the Summary of Conclusions for the July 21 SCC  
Meeting on SALT.

This summary is to be particularly closely held and distributed  
only to those officers in your department or agency with a  
strict need to know.

Christine Dodson  
Staff Secretary

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~~TOP SECRET~~SPECIAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING

July 21, 1978

Time and Place: 10:30 a.m. - 11:40 a.m., White House  
Situation Room

Subject: SALT

## Participants:

Vice President Mondale  
A. Denis Clift

State

Secretary Cyrus Vance  
Mr. David Gompert  
Deputy Director, Bureau of  
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Secretary Harold Brown  
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Delegation

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Chief, SALT Task Force

ACDA

Mr. Paul Warnke  
Mr. Spurgeon Kenny  
Mr. John Newhouse  
Asst Dir, International  
Security Programs Bureau

White House

Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski  
Mr. David Aaron

NSC

Mr. Reginald Bartholomew

The SCC discussed two major issues: (1) the timing, substance, and method of our response to Gromyko's Geneva proposal linking new types, Backfire, ALCM number limits and timing of reductions; and (2) whether to go back to the Soviets on MAP and the interaction between MAP and SALT.

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1. On responding to Gromyko, three broad strategic choices emerged from the SCC discussion: (a) continue to work on the individual SALT issues and stay clear of linkages and trade-offs; (b) make a counterproposal confined essentially to the specific issues in the Gromyko proposal; and (c) make a comprehensive package proposal on all the remaining SALT issues, trading off among them.

The SCC commissioned work on the issues and alternatives under each of these headings, looking to another SCC meeting on Thursday, August 3, which will be the basis for recommendations to you.

2. On MAP, the SCC agreed that the MAP statement which you earlier approved for Warnke to make to Dobrynin should now also be presented in Moscow to underscore that the MAP option is not precluded by SALT. The consensus was that we need not seek a confirming response from the Soviets, but that this step should be taken in light of the Semenov statement to Warnke.

The SCC also agreed that analysis of MAP will be expedited on two fronts: (a) DOD is to analyze MAP, alternative mobile concepts and the defense program issues involved; and (b) the SALT Working Group is to analyze how MAP and its alternatives bear on SALT, and how the limits on Soviet systems we expect to achieve in SALT will bear on MAP or alternatives to it.

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