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TO: The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: US Military Supply Policy to Pakistan and India

NSDM 289, "US Military Supply Policy to Pakistan and India" has been rescinded by PD/NSC-14 and subsumed under the general policy set forth in PD/NSC-13 "Conventional Arms Transfer Policy."

There are, however, elements of NSDM 289 that are additional to the general arms transfer policy and remain valid. Specifically:

--Sales of US military equipment to Pakistan and India will be on a cash basis only. There will be no grant military assistance or FMS credits for the purchase of military equipment by either Pakistan or India.

--All sales will be consistent with the overall US policy in South Asia to encourage the process of normalization and reconciliation between Pakistan and India. Sales should not stimulate an arms race in that region or restore the pre-1965 situation in which the US was a major regional arms supplier.

The requirement for a semi-annual summary of arms shipments and assessment of prospective military capabilities of Pakistan and India set forth in the final paragraph of NSDM 289 will lapse after submission of the report due on June 30, 1977. The Secretary of Defense and Director of Central Intelligence should, however, continue to monitor these developments closely so that an equivalent report can be prepared on short notice, if required.

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