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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: SIOP 6C Planning (U)

(S) I have reviewed the summary of nuclear weapons employment guidance to the CINCs and JSTPS, and am pleased to note the many improvements introduced.

(S) The improved guidance on escalation control may lead to realistic options more supportive of war termination by allowing the Soviets to perceive both our resolve in crisis and our restraint.

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(S) Since we are now deploying new long range systems such as Pershing II, GLCM and TLAM/N, a summary of JCS guidance for CINC nuclear planning and a later briefing on the incorporation of these systems in CINC war plans would be most useful.

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An update of planned employment of these forces, as part of the annual SIOP Revision Report brief, would be useful.

(S) I understand that the Joint and OSD staffs are now working to improve our understanding of the U.S. response with damaged forces, as well as methods of limiting unwanted urban collateral damage. I encourage expeditious resolution of these issues.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

THROUGH THE UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY *FI*

SUBJECT: SIOP 6C Planning -- ACTION MEMORANDUM (U)

Attached for your signature is a proposed response to the Chairman on the JCS summary of nuclear planning guidance that will be used by JSTPS in construction of SIOP 6C and by the CINCs in development of their non-SIOP options.

This guidance continues the implementation of NUWEP planning initiatives. Flexibility in the use of nuclear forces, escalation control guidance and targeting efficiency are all improved.

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As we have discussed, however, the summary does not provide adequate information to allow OSD to monitor implementation of national guidance, and does not address critical problem areas. Further, two issues raised by NUWEP-84 and by your response to last year's JSCP summary -- planning for the possibility of less than optimum availability of forces and limiting unwanted damage to urban areas -- are not addressed.

Your reply to the Chairman commends the improvements in this year's guidance -- which are substantial. It also suggests areas where additional information is needed and specifically urges prompt resolution of the force availability and collateral damage issues.

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