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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Annual Assessment of Nuclear Employment Plans (U)

(S) I have reviewed with interest your assessment of our nuclear employment plans as provided in JCSM-92-82. Although this assessment was based upon previous policy guidance, I note that most of the concerns you raise also apply to my recently issued Policy Guidance for the Employment of Nuclear Weapons (NUWEP). As you indicate, much remains to be accomplished if we are to be fully capable of supporting our nuclear employment policy.

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(S) The progress made in our intelligence research efforts is encouraging --

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(S) [redacted] under-
scores the importance of developing more effective criteria
for planning. As was noted in Mr. Carlucci's memorandum of
March 23, 1982, [redacted] are
outdated.

[redacted]
[redacted] Additionally, I
[redacted] should include a range
of [redacted]

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407 Finally, I fully appreciate the problems confronting
[redacted]

[redacted] However, we must vigorously
[redacted] permit a more effective and
[redacted]

I urge that the studies embodying these initia-
tives be completed with dispatch.

407 I want to take this opportunity again to stress the
importance of [redacted]

October 1, 1983. [redacted] to be effective on

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