



POLICY

~~TOP SECRET~~

SEC DEF AS SEEN

22 FEB 1982 08 58

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FEB 22 1982

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

#2

I-35095/82

February 20, 1982

X

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: National Security Study Directive to Produce US National Security Strategy -- INFORMATION MEMORANDUM (NS)

~~(S)~~ National Security Study Directive (NSSD) 1-82 (Tab A) establishes the terms of reference for a review of US National Security Strategy -- a document to replace the Carter Administration's PD-18 and 62. The scope of the first phase will include regional objectives, the role of Allies, military forces, and security assistance. According to NSSD 1-82, it will "provide a foundation" for second phase "companion studies" on international economic, diplomatic, arms control, and information strategies. The study will be managed by an Interagency Review Group chaired by NSC staff. Tom Reed is heading up the effort for Bill Clark. The President wants to see "dissent" views represented where consensus is not easily arrived at. The President apparently felt this effort should have been undertaken some time ago. It is intended that the paper be brief, managed and produced by senior people (not the bureaucracy at large), and ready in time for an NSC meeting on April 15.

381

~~(S)~~ The NSC staff prepared an outline for the first phase of the effort (Tab B), and I have coordinated with JCS (LTC Gorman) the allocation of responsibilities between OSD and JCS.

~~(S)~~ It is clear that a National Security Strategy must not be confined to military instruments alone. Yet, the way in which this effort got started could lead to an undesirable one-sidedness, in that the other instruments (information, diplomatic, economic, etc.) will either be neglected, or at least escape integration in the NSC effort. If we in Defense were small minded -- which, of course, we are not -- we might also be concerned that this first phase could permit NSC staff and State to get "into our business," without a reciprocal voice by Defense on international economic and diplomatic activities. I have therefore stressed and shall continue to stress in the Interagency Group that consideration of the non-military tools of our National Security Strategy must not be delayed. To underline DoD's seriousness on this point, I announced that we in

20 Feb 82

88
18-A-1851

~~Review on February 2, 2002~~
~~Classified and extended by William P. Clark~~
~~Reason: NSC 1-15 (c)~~

~~TOP SECRET~~

Copy L of 9 Copies 2/5/81
18452

DECLASSIFIED IN FULL
Authority: EO 13526
Chief, Records & Declass Div, WMS
Date: SEP 24 2019

27472

330-86-6043 hvl r

~~TOP SECRET~~

2

Defense will develop the national strategy for these other areas (and let others comment and critique it), unless the parallel effort for the other areas gets underway reasonably soon.

Given that DoD has ready the second Defense Guidance of this Administration, and first Posture Statement, and National Security Decision Directive 13 on Strategic Forces (all documents with interagency blessing), we are, of course, well ahead of the game. Thus, for the "military tools" of National Strategy, we can largely distill those extant documents.

Fred
Fred C. Ikle

DECLASSIFIED IN FULL
Authority: EO 13526
Chief, Records & Declass Div, WHS
Date: SEP 24 2019

Office of the Secretary of Defense *5056 8552*
Chief, RDD, ESD, WIIS
Date: *24 SEP 2019* Authority: EO 13526
Declassify: Deny in Full: _____
Declassify in Part: _____
Reason: _____
MDR: *18-M-1851*

~~TOP SECRET~~