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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO.

SANITIZED E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.4

NARA, Date.

TO:

The Secretary of State

The Secretary of Defense

The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission

SUBJECT: Nuclear Weapons Dispersal Authorization for FY 1967-FY 1968

The President has noted the request for nuclear weapons dispersal authorization for FY 1967 and FY 1968 as contained in the Department of Defense memorandum dated May 26, 1967, and as corrected by the DOD memorandum dated July 5, 1967 to the holders of the May 26 memorandum, and has taken the following actions in connection therewith:

1. The Department of Defense is authorized to:

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a. Disperse nuclear weapons in the United States

b. Disperse nuclear weapons to areas outside the United States in the numbers indicated in the last column of Appendix A to the May 26 memorandum, as amended, with the provisos that: (1) the total in each area may be exceeded by in the event of unforeseen contingencies, (2) weapons, for which dispersal in support of non-U. S. NATO forces is authorized for planning purposes only, may be dispersed in support of U. S. forces pending additional and specific dispersal authorizations on a case-by-case basis, and (3) the grand total of weapons outside the U. S. (areas under foreign sovereignty and areas under U. S. control other than U. S.)

nuclear weapons. Such dispersals will be subject to the yield restrictions specified in NSAM 143 and policy regarding permissive action link devices contained in NSAM 160.

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c. Continue to disperse nuclear weapons and to provide nuclear weapon support to non-U. S. forces in accordance with the current dispersal authorizations which have been approved under NSAM 143 and which are tabulated in the column "Non-U. S. Forces - Authorized FY 1966" (Column C) of Appendix B to the May 26, 1967 Department of Defense memorandum.

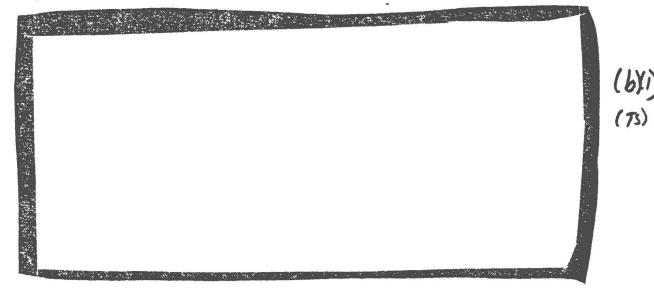
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2. The President has noted that the Department of Defense has con-	
curred in a recommendation of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that the dispersal	, (6)
authorization be increased over the current dispersa	X1
authorization by The President has accepted the recom-	(13)
mendation of the Department of Defense in this matter. The President	4
understands that the will be given further	(PXI)
review during consideration of the next dispersal authorization request.	(13)

3. In connection with his action of the FY 1967-FY 1968 dispersals, the President has directed that in the future dispersal authorizations should be handled as follows:



d. Authorized deployments will be those planned as of the end of each fiscal year.

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Plans for contingency deployments included in the Presidential authorization will be shown separately with adequate explanations.

- e. The plan will include, on a highlight basis, the rationale for and major changes in the deployment plans.
- 4. The initial plan on the revised basis should be submitted by November 15, 1967 and should have the concurrence of the Department of State and the Atomic Energy Commission.

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ATTACHMENT DENTED IN FULL

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