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Subject: Meeting in Dr. Foster's Office on  
US/UK Nuclear Cooperation

The purpose of the meeting I attended in Johnny Foster's office on August 2, 1969 was to prepare for DDR & E meeting with Sir William Cook on September 8, 1969. (The September 8 discussion is to deal with what the details of our cooperation with the British are. It is not to be a negotiating session on the extension of Article III bis. We are handling the latter separately with the Embassy here.)

As a result of the meeting in Foster's office, Defense will prepare two papers:

One will show what was transmitted so far and what has been withheld.

The second will show what we think the British need and what we think they do not need within the overall guidelines in last fall's SIG paper. There will also be a discussion of mechanisms for on-going cooperation.

The primary areas in which Defense is prepared to be forthcoming are:

1. Assist the British by putting some of their samples into our test holes for experiments. It was agreed that this could be done without giving away information we do not want to give them. (So far, Defense has been reluctant to do this.)

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2. Penetration aids short of some sensitive aspects to be identified. However, the British must request assistance.

3. Hot X-ray effects -- less information showing vulnerability of US systems.

If the British show an interest in Antelope, they would be told that if they should really decide they want it, we would think about it after receiving their request. SALT was mentioned as one of the considerations.

In matching notes on what various UK officials have told various US officials, it appears that within HMG, Sir William is pressing the basic premise that the UK Polaris should be able to penetrate Moscow ABM defenses independently rather than riding it behind a US strike. Sir Solly Zuckerman is pressing the opposite view and so far has prevailed.

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