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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THROUGH THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY *7.70 9 FEB 1982*
SUBJECT: Exercise IVY LEAGUE (U)

On January 22, you asked the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, to specify when your participation in Exercise IVY LEAGUE would be most useful (Tab E). The Chairman responded on January 26th, recommending specific dates and times for your participation (Tab D). In that response, the Chairman also recommended that you invite the President and the Vice President to observe certain IVY LEAGUE activities. This memorandum outlines and discusses the chairman's response and recommends specific actions for your approval.

The Chairman has provided an extensive menu of exercise activities for your consideration.

- The best time for your participation in IVY LEAGUE is from 1830- on March 4th, to observe the exercise
- It is suggested that you attend the seminar from 0930-1230 preparation for the exercise. You already have conditionally accepted this invitation.)
- The Chairman also recommends that you receive a decision briefing on a non-SIOP selective release early in the exercise. (This will probably take place on the evening of March 1st. You have indicated you will take part.)
- Your schedule permitting, you are invited to a senior players' briefing at either 1100 or 1600 hours on February 24th.
- A daily, 10-minute, update briefing will be available during the peak days of the exercise.

With regard to the NCA, White House, and NSC play, the Chairman recommends that

process on March 4th;

- The Vice President also participate by [REDACTED]
- The NSC and White House participate in the exercise decision process from their actual locations; and
- The President support the exercise by ensuring appropriate level surrodates play throughout the exercise.

[REDACTED] I believe it would be both beneficial and appropriate for you to attend the [REDACTED] (b)(7)(F) on March 4th, the [REDACTED] (b)(7)(F) on March 1st, and as much of the PETITE exercise as your schedule will allow. It would be desirable, but not essential, for you to sit in on the senior players' briefing on February 24th. A briefing can be arranged for you at any time.

[REDACTED] The participation of the President and Vice President also is not essential to the conduct of the exercise. It would, however, add emphasis and realism to the exercise, and would further educate the NCA in potential crisis roles. For these reasons, I believe we should support the Chairman's recommendations.

(U) I understand that the President already has made several commitments to this exercise. These have been oral, however, and it would be appropriate to make our invitations matters of record. Therefore, we have prepared letters to the President and Vice President, and a memorandum to the Chairman, which reflect the foregoing discussion. These are attached at Tabs A, B, and C, respectively.

(U) I recommend that you approve and sign the letters and the memorandum at Tabs A thru C.

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General, USA (Ret.)
Deputy

Attachments
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