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FROM US JCS; USARMA PASS TO CHAIRMAN, CANADIAN CHIEFS  
 OF STAFF COMMITTEE

1. Subject is Command Readiness Conditions.
2. US JCS were directed last night, 15 May 1960, by US Sec Def in Paris to order quietly a higher than normal state of command readiness on a minimum need-to-know basis.
3. JCS thereupon directed U.S. forces to assume DEFCON 3. We are still on quiet alert, although some public notice has occurred.
4. We have no information as to reasons for directive cited in paragraph 2 above. Therefore U.S. JCS are making no request or suggestion that Canadian Air defense forces assume similar alert status.

ORIGIN: JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

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