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TO: The Secretary of State The Secretary of Defense The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Contingency Planning

The President has directed a review of existing interagency contingency planning procedures and of existing Departmental and interagency contingencies plans for potential crises including possible crises in Berlin, the Middle East, and Korea. The review should include an analysis of the relationship and orchestration of political and military measures.

The President has directed that the NSC Interdepartmental Political-Military Group review the existing procedures and that each NSC Interdepartmental Group review the existing contingency plans for potential crises in its area of responsibility.

The results of these reviews should be forwarded to the NSC Review Group by March 10, 1969.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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