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National Security Study Memorandum 29

TO:

The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense

The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Papers for Vietnam Negotiations

The President has directed the preparation of the following.

papers in connection with private talks at the Paris Vietnam negotiations:

- 1. Negotiating strategy paper. This paper should discuss the strategy we would follow in private talks with Hanoi. It should also consider our strategy for dealing with the GVN in regard to private talks.
- 2. Mutual withdrawal of forces. This paper should consider our basic objectives with regard to mutual withdrawal. It should discuss major issues and alternative positions on these issues.

These papers should be prepared by the Vietnam Ad Hoc Group and submitted to the Review Group by 17 March 1969.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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