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TO: The Secretary of State
 The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: June NATO Ministerial Meeting

The President wishes to have a meeting of the National Security Council before the Lisbon NATO Ministerial meeting to review the major issues that are to be considered. The President desires, in particular, to examine the status of work on East-West relations in progress within the NATO framework, as well as developments in the area of NATO defense since the last Ministerial meeting. U.S. strategy and force guidance for NATO remain as set forth in NSDM 95.

In preparation for the NSC meeting, a paper should be submitted setting forth (1) the major issues expected to arise at Lisbon, and (2) problems requiring decision, including recommendations or choices, where appropriate. The paper should discuss our objectives and highlight any important Allied differences. It should also outline the problems that will have to be dealt with after the Lisbon meeting.

The NSC IG/EUR, constituted appropriately in the discretion of the Chairman, should submit the paper to the Assistant to the President for preliminary consideration in the Senior Review Group by May 1.


Henry A. Kissinger

cc: Director of Central Intelligence
 Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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