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National Security Study Memorandum 188

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

SUBJECT: The President's Annual Review of American Foreign Policy

In NSSM 80, October 27, 1969, the President directed that an unclassified Annual Review of American Foreign Policy be prepared and presented publicly at the beginning of each year. This Review is to describe the international situation and the Administration's approach to major foreign policy issues.

To assist in preparation of the 1974 Review, each addressee is requested to submit comments and textual suggestions on major trends, events, and issues of 1973; the Administration's approach in dealing with these developments; and major tasks ahead. Past Reviews, particularly that of 1973, should be used as points of departure.

A list of topics which should be covered is attached, but other subjects considered to be of particular significance may also be included. In particular, each addressee is requested to suggest topics of broad significance which might be treated in a brief overview in the Report.

Inputs should be submitted to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs by November 15, 1973.

The President anticipates that, if the Secretaries of State and Defense plan to issue Annual Reviews, they will be released after the President's Report has been issued.


Henry A. Kissinger

Attachment

cc: Assistant to the President for
International Economic Affairs

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Topics for the 1974 Annual Review

Area Issues and Developments

1. Europe

- NATO Europe
- Western Europe outside NATO
- European Community and the Common Market
- Eastern Europe

2. U. S. -USSR Relations

3. Asia and the Pacific

- U. S. -Japan Relations
- Indochina
 - Cambodia
 - Laos
 - Vietnam
- East Asia and the Pacific

4. U. S. -PRC Relations

5. South Asia

6. Middle East

7. The Americas

- Latin America
- Caribbean
- Canada

8. Africa

- South of the Sahara
 - North of the Sahara
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Security Issues and Developments

1. Strategic Policy and Forces
2. General Purpose Forces
3. Arms Control
 - SALT
 - MBFR
4. Security Assistance

International Economic Issues and Developments

1. International Monetary Affairs
2. International Trade Matters
3. Foreign Economic Assistance
4. Meeting Energy Needs

International Institutions and Developments

1. United Nations
2. Law of the Sea
3. Multilateral Cooperation (e. g., Hijacking, Narcotics, Pollution, Space, International Terror)