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THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
CHAIRMAN, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Creation of New Policy Coordinating Committees (U)

Pursuant to National Security Directive 1, I hereby direct the creation of the following additional Policy Coordinating Committees, with chairmen as indicated:

- Counter-terrorism. This committee is to assume the previous responsibilities of the interdepartmental group on terrorism and will lead the formulation of Administration counter-terrorism policy and implementation efforts. (Chairman: Ambassador-at-Large for Counter-terrorism, Department of State) (C)
- Special Activities. This PCC will coordinate the development and conduct of special activities, under Executive Order 12333 and NSDD 286, in accordance with established statutes and procedures. (Chairman: NSC Senior Director for Intelligence Programs) (C)

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- Refugees. This committee is to assume the responsibilities of the former Senior Interagency Group on Refugee Policy and will establish annual refugee quotas to be submitted to Congress as well as coordinate Administration policy on refugee issues. (Chairman: Ambassador-at-Large and U.S. Coordinator for Refugee Affairs, Department of State) (S)
- International Oceans, Environment, and Science Affairs. This committee is to coordinate Administration policy on the international and foreign affairs issues arising in the areas of oceans policy (Law of the Sea, freedom of navigation, fisheries, etc.), environmental policy (Arctic, Antarctica, deforestation, atmosphere, etc.), and science (S & T agreements and exchanges, telecommunications, etc.). (Chairman: Department of State) (S)
- Resources for International Affairs Programs. This committee is to coordinate interagency action on the range of issues in budget function 150, including foreign economic and security assistance allocations, U.S. contributions to the U.N. and multilateral banks, refugee and humanitarian assistance, and public diplomacy resource questions. (Chairman: Department of State) (S)
- Emergency Preparedness/Mobilization Planning. This committee is to assume the responsibilities of the former Senior Interagency Group on National Security Emergency Preparedness. It will coordinate Administration policy with respect to the domestic aspects of national security, including mobilization, non-military air and sealift, and the industrial base. (Chairman: Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency) (S)
- Nonproliferation Policy. This committee is to take the lead in coordinating Administration policy on all nonproliferation issues, including those involving nuclear weapons, missiles, chemical and biological weapons. (Chairman: Under Secretary of State for Security Assistance, Science and Technology) (S)
- Technology Transfer Policy. This committee is to take the lead in coordinating Administration policy on national security and foreign policy export control and technology transfer issues, including COCOM and third country cooperation issues, and on export cases submitted by other COCOM member governments. (Chairman: National Security Council) (S)

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- National Security Telecommunications. This committee is to assume the responsibilities of the NSDD-97 Steering Group in coordinating Administration policy on improving the interoperability, security, survivability, and emergency availability of national security telecommunications. (Chairman: Assistant Secretary of Defense for C3I) (C)


In addition, I hereby direct the continuation of the Coordinating Sub-Group (CSG) on counter-terrorism and the Crisis Management Working Group (to be renamed the Situation Support Working Group) as subcommittees of the NSC Deputies Committee. Further, I have designated the Low Intensity Conflict Board to meet at the level of the Deputies of the Cabinet Departments and Agencies. (C)

In order to clarify the responsibilities of NSC Policy Coordinating Committees, responsibility for U.S.-Soviet military-to-military talks, for nuclear powered warship visits, and for the U.S. policy to neither confirm nor deny (NCND) the presence or absence of nuclear weapons is hereby assigned to the Defense Policy Coordinating Committee. (C)

The Arms Control Verification Committee, established by National Security Decision Directive (NSDD) 65, and the Standing Committee on Nuclear Risk Reduction Centers, established by NSDD 301, are hereby disestablished. Their functions are to be assumed by the Arms Control Policy Coordinating Committee. NSDD 65 is hereby cancelled. The Director, United States Risk Reduction Center, shall serve as an advisor to the Arms Control Policy Coordinating Committee when matters relating to Nuclear Risk Reduction Centers are under consideration. Issues relating to arms control compliance also will be the responsibility of the Arms Control Policy Coordinating Committee. (C)

It is the responsibility of the chairmen of individual Policy Coordinating Committees to establish those subcommittees or working groups deemed necessary to support the work of the individual Policy Coordinating Committees and to designate the chairmen of such subcommittees or working groups. (U)

While Policy Coordinating Committees are as a general rule to be chaired at the Assistant Secretary level, there will be circumstances in which the scope of responsibility and the subject matter of individual Policy Coordinating Committees will require higher level chairmen. In such instances Policy Coordinating Committees shall be chaired by the most senior official appropriate. (U)



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