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The FY 1985 GRENADIER Nuclear Test Program (S)

Programmatic approval of the FY 1985 GRENADIER Nuclear Test Program proposed by the Department of Energy is granted. In implementing the GRENADIER program, the following guidance will apply:

-- All tests associated with GRENADIER will be conducted in compliance with the Limited Test Ban Treaty, with the National Environmental Policy Act, and in accordance with the existing nuclear testing limitations policy as outlined in NSDD 51.

-- The Department of Energy shall review each test with design yields near 150 kilotons to reasonably ensure that the device yield does not exceed the Threshold Test Ban Limit.

-- Due to the Non-proliferation Treaty Review Conference, tentatively scheduled for August-September, 1985, the Department of Energy will coordinate the final scheduling of specific tests during this period with State and Defense. (S)

Continue to coordinate public affairs activities related to the implementation of the GRENADIER program, as appropriate, in advance of test events. (U)

The five-year projection of nuclear tests is noted. (U)

The FY 1986 Nuclear Test Program should be provided for approval by September 1, 1985. (U)

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