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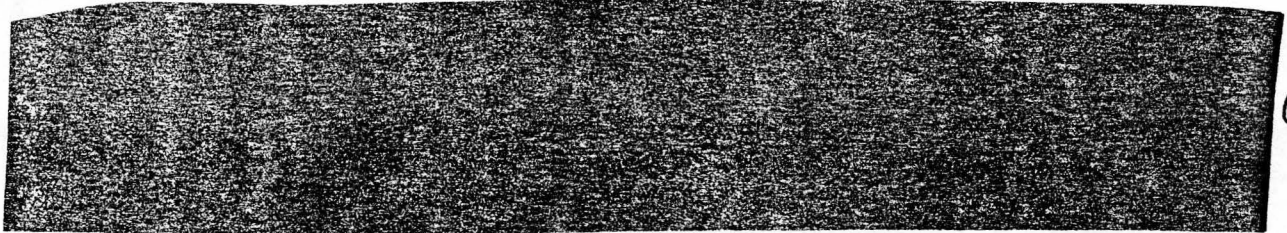
NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION  
DIRECTIVE NUMBER 162

FY 1985-1990 NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE

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I approve the proposed Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Plan for the fiscal years 1985 through 1990. The stockpile levels represent authorized ceilings, not to be exceeded, except as provided below or otherwise approved by me. ~~(S)~~

For the period FY 1985-1990, the following are authorized:



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2. DOE may produce and transfer to the Department of Defense (DOD) parts of nuclear weapons, not containing special nuclear materials, as may be agreed by DOE and DOD. These parts may be used in nuclear weapons, training programs, research and development, and production. Additionally, DOE may temporarily transfer parts or test units containing fissile materials or plutonium power supplies for development and flight testing programs. ~~(S)~~



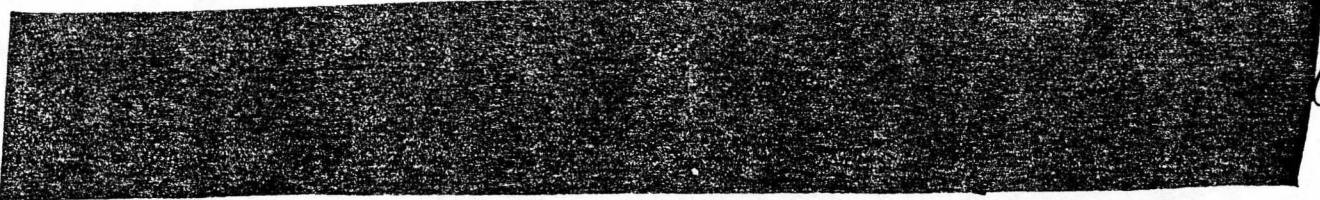
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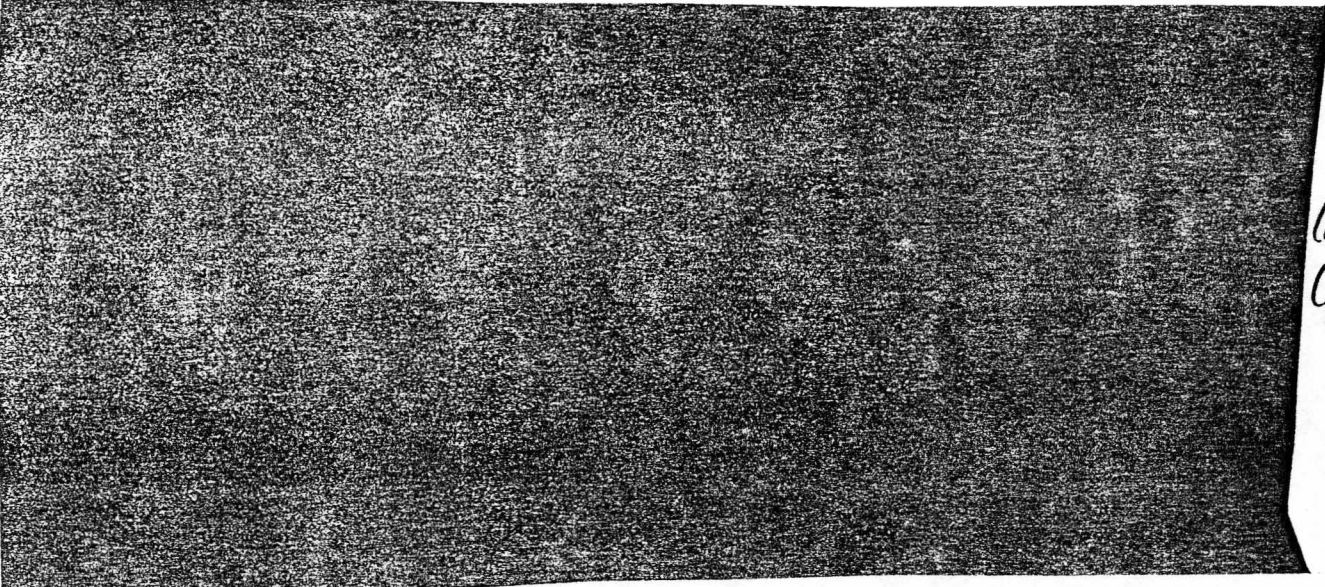
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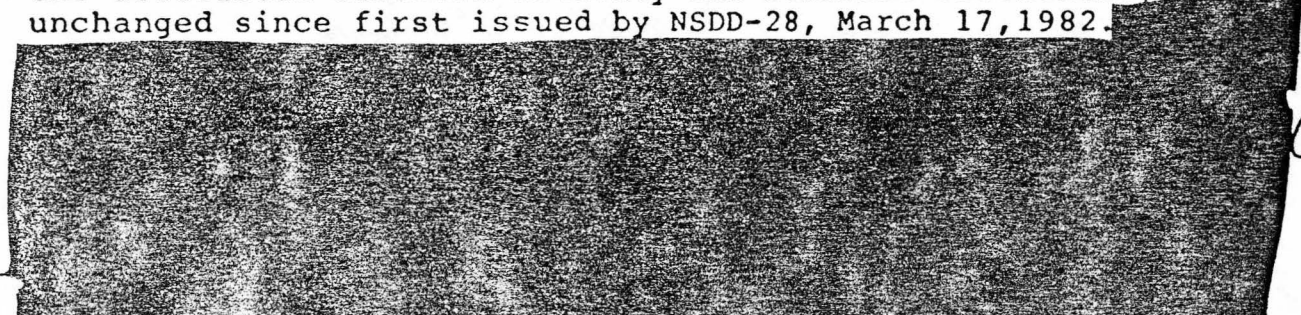
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As a matter of policy, national security requirements, not arbitrary constraints on nuclear material availability and weapons fabrication capacity, shall be the limiting factor in the nuclear force structure. To this end, DOE shall:

1. Assure the capability to meet current and projected needs for nuclear materials. To assure this capability, DOE shall:  
(a) maintain the currently operating nuclear material production facilities, and (b) restart the L reactor at the Savannah River Plant, Aiken, S.C., as soon as possible. DOE shall also initiate the conceptual plan or other design of necessary nuclear material and weapons production facilities for the 1990s, including a new production reactor to provide for an assured supply of tritium. (X)
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(b)(3)

The guidance that I have issued concerning the above policy and the associated directed activity has remained essentially unchanged since first issued by NSDD-28, March 17, 1982.

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The FY 1991-1995 Stockpile Projection which was submitted with the Stockpile Plan has been noted for planning purposes; it should be updated to reflect policy and programming decisions and used as the point of departure for the development of future stockpile plans. The FY 1986-1991 Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Plan should be submitted by September 30, 1985. This submission should focus on the budget year FY 1987 but should include a summary of FY 1986 with the Stockpile Plan submission (FY 1986-1991). A projection through an additional ten-year planning period should also be provided. (D)

This directive supersedes National Security Decision Directive Number 125, dated February 16, 1984. (X)

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