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## STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION



The following guidance will govern the internal organization and operation of the U.S. Component of the Standing Consultative Commission (SCC) established by the Memorandum of Understanding Between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R. of December 21, 1972, pursuant to the provisions of the ABM Treaty and the Interim Agreement of May 26, 1972:

- a. The U.S. Component of the Commission will consist of a Commissioner designated by the President, a Deputy Commissioner, and a representative from each of the participating agencies.
- b. The U.S. Component will maintain close and systematic relationship with the planning and policy process for arms control negotiations.
- c. To assist the Commissioner in carrying on the work of the U.S. Component, ACDA will in coordination with the Commissioner form a Secretariat, consisting of an Executive Secretary, a Deputy Executive Secretary, and appropriate administrative support.
- d. For the conduct of bilateral sessions of the Commission, a support staff will augment the Secretariat. This staff will be headed by the Executive Secretary. As appropriate, participating agencies will furnish advisors to the U.S. Component.
- e. The U.S. Component of the Commission will carry out Presidential instructions under the general direction of the National Security Council, which will provide guidance on substantive matters.
- f. WBDD-49 of July 26, 1982 is hereby rescinded.

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