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TO:

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The Director of Central Intelligence

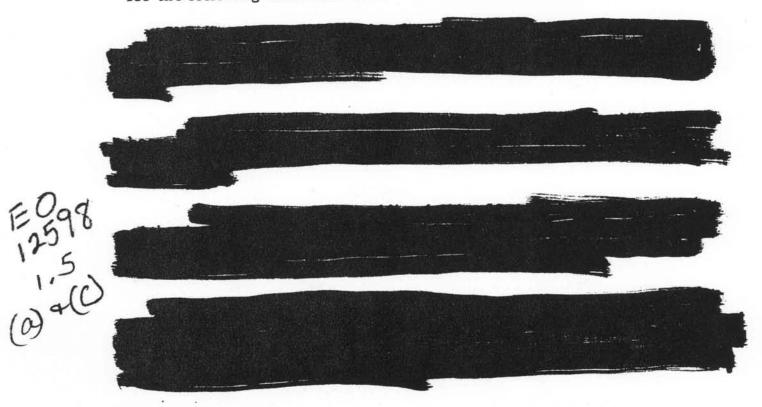
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The Chairman, Under Secretaries Committee

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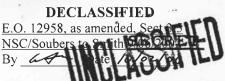
The President has directed that authority to warn the civil population of imminent arrival of an accidentally launched missile be prepositioned for the following situations and be exercised as indicated:

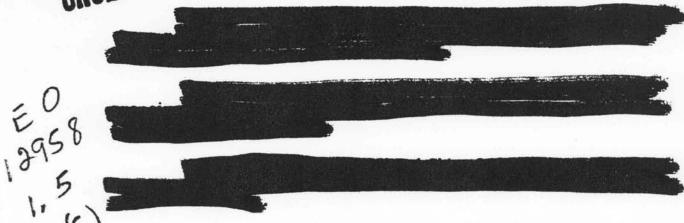


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For all other accidental launch contingencies, there will be no prepositioned authority. Warning will be decided under present procedures.

The procedures directed by NSDM 219 will be amended to reflect this prepositioned authority.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission
The Director, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
The Director, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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