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National Security Decision Memorandum 259

TO:

The Secretary of Defense

The Chairman, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission The Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs

SUBJECT:

Programs of Cooperation for Nuclear Bomb

Support of Non-U.S. NATO Nations

The President has approved in principle Programs of Cooperation with Italy and the Federal Republic of Germany, as recommended by the Secretary of Defense in his memorandum of March 29, 1974, to develop and support Inuclear bomb delivery capabilities with the Multi-Role Combat Aircraft (MRCA).

The President also has approved in principle Programs of Cooperation recommended by the Secretary of Defense which would add huclear bomb support to those programs in Belgium, the Federal Republic of Germany, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, and Turkey which are already supported with the nuclear bombs.

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cc: The Director, Central Intelligence
Agency
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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