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TO: The Secretary of State
    The Secretary of Defense
    The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Contingency Planning for Korea

The President has directed the preparation of a contingency planning study for Korea. This study should examine possible U.S. actions in light of an outbreak of hostilities due to limited or full scale attacks by North Korea or unilateral South Korean responses to North Korean provocation. As directed in the guidelines for contingency planning, this paper should include a careful orchestration of political and military actions.

The East Asian Interdepartmental Group should perform this study and forward it to the Review Group by April 25, 1969.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
    The Director, United States Information Agency