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PRESIDENTIAL DECISION DIRECTIVE/NSC - 50

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
 THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
 THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
 THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
 THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY
 U.S. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED
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 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
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 DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
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 ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR ECONOMIC POLICY
 DIRECTOR OF THE ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT
 AGENCY
 CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Commercial Communications Satellites and Jet-
 Engine Hot-Section Technology

The export of the commercial communications satellites and of the hot section technologies for the development, production and overhaul of commercial aircraft engines, transferred from the United States Munitions List to the Commerce Control List pursuant to regulations issued by the Departments of Commerce and State after the effective date of this directive, involve significant national security and foreign policy issues. The export of such items has serious potential to harm U.S. national security and foreign policy interests. Consequently, I have determined that the exports of such products must be controlled and restricted even where comparable products are or appear to be available from sources outside the United States.

Accordingly, under the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, I direct that:


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The Secretary of Commerce shall maintain controls on the export of the commercial communication satellites and of the hot-section technologies for the development, production and overhaul of commercial aircraft engines, transferred from the United States Munitions List to the Commerce Control List pursuant to regulations issued by the Departments of Commerce and State after the effective date of this directive, and shall not be required to issue licenses in particular cases or to remove controls on such items based on foreign availability factors contained in sections 4(c) and 6(h)(2)-(4) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 2403(c) and 2405(h)(2)-(4)) and continued in effect by Executive Order No. 12924 of August 19, 1994, and by Notices of August 15, 1995, and August 14, 1996, all other analogous provisions relating to foreign availability and the regulations relating thereto.

Bill Clinton

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