Presidential Review Memorandum/NSC 2

TO: The Vice President
    The Secretary of State
    The Secretary of Defense

    ALSO: The Director, Arms Control and
           Disarmament Agency
           The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
           The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: SALT

The President has directed that the Special Coordination Committee
undertake a review of the SALT negotiations.

The initial stage of the review should include:

1. An analysis of the major SALT issues, including: (1) concise
   summaries of the individual issues and (2) more detailed analytical
   background papers on these issues if such are not currently available.
   The initial effort in this regard should focus on the following issues:
   cruise missiles, Backfire, mobile ICBM’s, MIRV verification,
   reductions, telemetry encryption, non-circumvention/non-transfer,
   and ICBM vulnerability.

2. A description of the major-strategic policy issues which bear on
   the SALT negotiations.

3. The impact of Defense programs and pending budget decisions on
   SALT.

This initial review should be completed by January 28.

In the next stage of the review, alternative general approaches which
the U.S. could propose at this stage of the negotiations, including
alternatives for long-range approaches, will be identified and analyzed.

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