

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Negotiations for Storage Rights in USEUCOM (U)

1. This is one of several actions resulting from implementation of your Project 112, "Evaluation of BW/CW Weapons," on which the Joint Chiefs of Staff responded by JCSM-367-61, dated 31 May 1961, subject: "Evaluation of B-C Weapons (U)". A Task Group Report on Project 112 subsequently was prepared by the Director of Defense Research and Engineering, portions of which were approved on 4 October 1961 by the Deputy Secretary of Defense.

2. One of the approved actions, associated with the chemical and biological munitions requirements reported on by JCSM-820-62, dated 26 October 1962, subject: "Requirements for Chemical and Biological Weapons," was that stockpiles of toxic munitions should be strategically positioned to support the operation plans of the commanders of unified and specified commands. To accomplish strategic positioning of these munitions it will be necessary to negotiate for toxic storage rights in the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG), France, and Italy. The proposed storage sites are all located at existing storage locations under USEUCOM control since land acquisition is not considered practical. This will necessitate waiver of currently prescribed storage criteria as quantity-distance factors cannot be met in existing storage locations.

3. A US stockpile of toxic chemical munitions for ground weapons, representing a token retaliatory capability, was established in the FRG during the second quarter of FY 1959. The storage of these munitions has never been the subject of formal US/FRG negotiations. It is considered desirable, therefore, that storage rights for these munitions be more firmly established by their inclusion in the proposed US/FRG negotiations.

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4. The Joint Chiefs of Staff conclude that the requirements for toxic munitions storage rights contained in Appendices A and B hereto are an adequate basis for establishing, in coordination with the Services concerned, a position by the Department of Defense leading to State/Defense negotiations with the FRG, France, and Italy. It is recommended that your office take further action toward establishing a US position for these negotiations.

For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

SIGNED
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Chairman
Joint Chiefs of Staff
Department of Defense

Attachments

PROPOSED USEUCOM STORAGE SITES

<u>Location</u>	<u>MAP Reference</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Tonnage</u> (S/T)
PIRMASENS-ZWEIBRUECKEN AREA, GERMANY (Seventh Army Control)			
Clausen	MV 066579	Shell, 155mm how, GB and VX; 105mm how, GB; 8" how, GB and VX Ancillaries	3,650
Leimen	MV 082586	Shell, 155mm how, GB; 105mm how, GB; 4.2" mortar, GB M23 mine, VX Ancillaries	2,700
Merzalben	MV 406456	Rocket, M55, GB and VX	1,600
MORBACH AREA, GERMANY (USAFE Control)			
USAF Ammunition Depot, Morbach	LA 650200	Bomb, MCl 750 lb, GB (4,980 ea)	1,868
TOTAL GERMANY			9,818
EASTERN FRANCE (USACOMZEUR Control)			
USA Ammunition Depot Activity, Ft. Rozelier	FQ 819144	Shell, all types above Rocket, M55 GB and VX	9,340
USA Ammunition Depot Activity, Vitry	EQ 768014	Shell, all types above Rocket, M55, GB and VX	9,540
TOTAL FRANCE			18,880
ITALY (USNAVEUR Control)			
Sigonella Storage Facility, Sicily	33°23'N 14°55'E	Bulk Agent Bomb, WETEYE, 500 lbs. GB or VX Dispenser, CS (Cluster), M44, BZ Spray tanks	684

APPENDIX B

EXISTING USEUCOM STORAGE SITES

<u>Location</u>	<u>MAP Reference</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Tonnage</u> (S/T)
RHEIN ORDNANCE DEPOT, Kircheimbolanden, Germany (Seventh Army Control)	MA 428502	Shell, 105mm how, GB and HD 155mm how, GB and HD; 4.2" mortar, HD	3,800
		Bulk, GB	12
		Bulk, HD	90
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		TOTAL	3,902