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MEMORANDUM FOR.

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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SUBJECT:

The South Asian Nuclear Problem (C)

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In view of the impasse in our dealings with Pakistan and India, both our political relationships and our nonproliferation goals are in great jeopardy in the near term. We must at least consider alternative positions even if, in the last analysis, we come to the conclusion that our present courses must be pursued for policy reasons. **(S)** 

I suggest that you set up a small interagency working group, chaired perhaps by Gerry Smith, charged with the task of a complete rethinking of our approach to South Asian nuclear issues. The NSC is prepared to participate Contacts will be Tom Thornton and in the working group. Gerry Oplinger.

- Zbigniew Brzezinski

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