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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF

SUBJECT: SIOP Execution Handbook

1. DJSM-765-63 forwarded a copy of the SIOP Execution Handbook and indicated that after review by the Chairman, copies will be provided to the Chiefs. The provision of copies to the Secretary of Defense and the President, if considered appropriate, was also suggested.
2. The section of the handbook tabbed "Consequences" provides an indication of the fatalities, industrial damage and residual forces which would result in the Free World and Sino-Soviet Bloc if the SIOP were to be executed. It is understood that the results of the SIOP-RISOP war games conducted by the Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff indicate a more favorable Free World posture with respect to fatalities and residual forces capability than that indicated in the handbook.
3. It is requested that, prior to consideration of the handbook by the JCS, the "Consequences" section be reconsidered in the light of the war games conducted by the Joint War Games Agency and the Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff.

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