MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, WATCH COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Evaluation of [redacted] regarding Soviet Bloc Exercises in Preparation to Strike the "First Blow," and other Matters

Members of the Watch Committee have studied this report and generally evaluate it as follows:

This report is not evaluated as a specific indication of Soviet Intent to launch a pre-emptive attack over the Berlin situation.

It should also be noted that it actually predicts only that a decision may be made in the near future, "if the situation warrants," whether or not the USSR should launch pre-emptive hostilities in connection with the signing of a German peace treaty.

Director