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MEMORANDUM FOR : The Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT : USIB Agreed Changes to the US Position Paper for Standing Group Intelligence Estimate for NATO Planning 1959 through 1965

1. At the request of Major General R. A. Breitweiser, USAF, Director for Intelligence, the Joint Staff, the United States Intelligence Board, on 27 January 1959, reconsidered certain portions of this US Position Paper in the light of differing views expressed by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, USAF.

2. In my memorandum of 15 January transmitting the Position Paper to you, I noted that the Air Force disagreed with Part I, Section 4, paragraph 24, page 46 of the USIB-approved draft. Subsequent to the Intelligence Board meeting of 27 January at which this paper was considered, the Air Force proposed certain additional changes in Part I, Section 5, paragraph 4a, page 51.

3. At the 27 January meeting of the Intelligence Board all of these differences were resolved by the agreed changes listed in Tab A. The paper should therefore be considered as approved by the United States Intelligence Board in the form in which it was forwarded to you by my 15 January letter, subject only to the changes given in Tab A. In this connection however, the Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, abstained, the subject being outside of his jurisdiction.

SIGNED

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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TAB A

USIB Agreed Changes to the US Position Paper for

Standing Group Intelligence Estimate for NATO Planning

1959 through 1965

In Part I, Section 4, paragraph 24, page 46, insert the following new sentence, after the first sentence:

> "They are making a gigantic effort to bring about conditions under which general war could occur without the USSR's receiving unacceptable damage, and it is not inconceivable that at some time during the period of this estimate they may conclude--rightly or wrongly--that they have attained such a position of decisive military superiority."

In Part I, Section 4, paragraph 24, page 46, change the sentence which follows the parenthetical statement to read:

> "Moreover, they appear to be confident that the final victory of communism which they are determined to achieve is inevitable, and to be accomplished through political and economic forms of struggle and through types of military action which they consider as posing no great risks to themselves."

In Part I, Section 5, paragraph 4a, page 51, change the phrase "and the NATO shield forces in particular" to read "including the NATO shield forces."

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