MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BROMLEY SMITH, WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions (Code Name FURTHERANCE) (S)

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated November 14, 1968, which furnished copies of the implementing directives which the Joint Chiefs of Staff have issued on the basis of the updated FURTHERANCE instructions. As I indicated, these updated instructions were to become effective when directed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, after all Authorizing Commanders had been briefed and the necessary new emergency action team at CINCONAD had been positioned.

As set forth in the attachments, the updated FURTHERANCE instructions became effective at

Carl Walske
Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Atomic Energy)

Attachments 11
SM-768-68 thru
SM-776-68 (Cy 1B of each)
JCS Msg 3397
JCS Msg 6498
MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, STRATEGIC AIR
COMMAND

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

1. Reference is made to:

a. SM-682-68, dated 23 October 1968, Subject: "Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions." (Revised Instructions for Project FURTHERANCE) (S).

b. JCS Outgoing Message 3397, DTG 181852Z OCT '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

c. JCS Outgoing Message 6498, DTG 272010Z NOV '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

2. On 24 October 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference la, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference la, would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of reference la, has been established and will be [blank]. Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-320-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of reference la.

3. As you recall, during the 24 October briefing, a [blank] which was developed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to support the [blank] was discussed. This represents an essential ingredient for the [blank] since your staff must understand the [blank] without [blank]
4. was developed to serve no purpose other than as a. However, any correspondence addressing the message, reference lc, which provided you the effective date of the did not refer to but emphasized the requirement for a concept to provide an Alternate Method for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans in the event.

Signed
JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CONTINENTAL AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

1. Reference is made to:

   a. SM-681-66; dated 23 October 1968, Subject: "Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions." (Revised Instructions for Project FURTHERANCE) (S).

   b. JCS Outgoing Message 3397, DTG 181852Z OCT '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

   c. JCS Outgoing Message 6498, DTG 272010Z NOV '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

2. On 25 October 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference 1a, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference 1a, would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of reference 1a, has been established and will be [REDACTED]. Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-319-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of reference 1a.

3. As you recall, during the 25 October briefing, a [REDACTED] was discussed. This represents an essential ingredient for the establishment of a staff must understand the under without [REDACTED].

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4. [Redacted] was developed to serve no purpose other than as a [Redacted]. However, any correspondence addressing the [Redacted] should not be related to [Redacted] due to the [Redacted]. Therefore, the JCS message, reference lc, which provided you the effective date of the [Redacted] did not refer to but emphasized the requirement for a concept to provide an Alternate Method for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans in the event [Redacted].

Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, ATLANTIC

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

1. Reference is made to:


   b. JCS Outgoing Message 3397, DTG 181852Z OCT '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

   c. JCS Outgoing Message 6498, DTG 272010Z NOV '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

2. On 4 November 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference 1a, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference 1a, would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of reference 1a, has been established and will be Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-321-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of reference 1a.

3. As you recall, during the 4 November briefing, a which was developed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to support was discussed. This represents an essential ingredient for the staff must understand the under without
4. [REDACTED] was developed to serve no purpose other than as a [REDACTED]. However, any correspondence addressing the [REDACTED] should not be related to [REDACTED] due to the [REDACTED] message, reference [REDACTED], which provided you the effective date of the [REDACTED] did not refer to [REDACTED] but emphasized the requirement for a concept to provide an Alternate Method for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans in the event [REDACTED].

Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, PACIFIC

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

1. Reference is made to:
   a. SM-684-68, dated 23 October 1968, Subject:
      "Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions." (Revised Instructions for Project FURTHERANCE) (S).
   b. JCS Outgoing Message 3397, DTG 181852Z OCT '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."
   c. JCS Outgoing Message 6498, DTG 272000Z NOV '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

2. On 5 November 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference 1a, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference 1a, would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of reference 1a has been established and will be [redacted]. Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-322-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 or reference 1a.

3. As you recall, during the 5 November briefing, a [redacted] which was developed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to support the [redacted] was discussed. This [redacted] represents an essential ingredient for the [redacted] since your staff must understand the [redacted] without [redacted].
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Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR U. S. COMMANDER IN CHIEF, EUROPE

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

1. Reference is made to:


   b. JCS Outgoing Message 3397, DTG 181852Z OCT '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

   c. JCS Outgoing Message 6498, DTG 272010Z NOV '68, Subject: "Alternate Methods for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans (U)."

2. On 28 October 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference la, was briefed to you during your visit to Washington. On 31 October 1968, the revised version was delivered and briefed to your Chief of Staff. At the time of your briefing, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), reference la, would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of reference la, has been established and will be.

   Subsequent to this date, it is requested that the enclosures to CM-2180-67 be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of reference la.

3. As you recall, during the 28 October briefing, a "which was developed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to support the was discussed. This represents an essential ingredient for the staff must understand the under without"
4. [Redacted] was developed to serve no purpose other than as a [Redacted]. However, any correspondence addressing the [Redacted] should not be related to the [Redacted] due to the [Redacted] message, reference [Redacted], which provided you the effective date of the [Redacted] did not refer to the requirement for a concept to provide an Alternate Method for Executing the SIOP and General War Plans in the event [Redacted].

Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY U. S. COMMANDER IN CHIEF, EUROPE

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

1. Reference is made to SM-686-68, dated 23 October 1968, Subject: "Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions (S)." (Revised Instructions for Project FURTHERANCE)

2. On 30 October 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), referenced above, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S) would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of the reference has been established and will be [REDACTED]. Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-323-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of the reference.

3. Enclosure A hereto, is a copy of the memorandum forwarded to the Commander in Chief, Europe which is provided for your information only.

Signed
JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary

Enclosure:
A. SM-772-68, dated 4 December 1968
MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, ALASKAN COMMAND

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

Reference: SM-687-68, dated 23 October 1968

1. On 19 November 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), referenced above, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S) would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of the reference has been established and will be ***. Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-324-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of the reference.

Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER IN CHIEF, U. S. SOUTHERN
COMMAND

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)

Reference: SM-688-68, dated 23 October 1968

1. On 21 November 1968, a revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S), referenced above, was delivered and briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that the specific effective date of the revised version of Project FURTHERANCE (S) would be forwarded to you when established. The effective date of the reference has been established and will be [REDACTED]. Subsequent to this date, it is requested that SM-325-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of the reference.

Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON
Brigadier General, USAF
Secretary

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U.S. Commander in Chief, Middle East 
Southern Asia and Africa, South of the 
Sahara

Subject: FURTHERANCE (S)
Reference: SM-689-68, dated 23 October 1968

1. On 4 November 1968, a revised version of Project 
FURTHERANCE (S), referenced above, was delivered and 
briefed to you. At that time, you were advised that 
the specific effective date of the revised version of 
Project FURTHERANCE (S) would be forwarded to you 
when established. The effective date of the reference 
has been established and will be Subsequent to this date, it is requested that 
SM-325-64 with its enclosures be destroyed in accordance 
with the procedures outlined in paragraph 1 of the 
reference.

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Signed

JAMES A. SHANNON 
Brigadier General, USAF 
Secretary

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SUBJ: ALTERNATE METHODS FOR EXECUTING THE SIOP AND GENERAL WAR PLANS (U)

REFS: A. SINGLE INTEGRATED OPERATIONAL PLAN;

B. EMERGENCY ACTION PROCEDURES - SM-263-67

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EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT OF IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS. APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO THE EMERGENCY ACTION PROCEDURES AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS ARE IN PREPARATION AND WILL BE DISTRIBUTED SEPARATELY. GP-1
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    CINCLANT
    CINCPAC
    USCINCEUR

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SUBJ: ALTERNATE METHODS FOR EXECUTING THE SIOP AND GENERAL WAR PLANS (U)

REF: JCS 3397/181652Z OCT 68.

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