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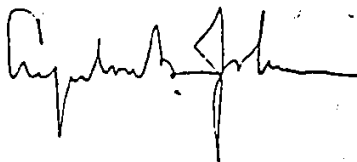
MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

I accept the recommendation made by you and the Joint Chiefs of Staff in your memorandum of March 14th and hereby authorize you to put into effect the updated "Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions" which were brought to me by the Joint Chiefs on March 4, 1964. It is my understanding that the redrafted instructions are basically the same as those approved by President Eisenhower and continued in effect by President Kennedy.

I would like to receive copies of all implementing directives which the Joint Chiefs issue on the basis of these instructions.

I have asked Mr. McGeorge Bundy to discuss with you and Secretary Rusk whether a substantive review of the instructions is needed to ensure that they reflect our coordinated views.



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Secretary Rusk:

The action referred to in paragraph 3 of this memorandum will await the completion of the Joint Staff studies which Secretary McNamara mentioned at a recent luncheon meeting with the President.

McGeorge Bundy
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