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July 4, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT.

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger *H*

SUBJECT: Israeli Nuclear Program

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1) General Davis
2) Rust Halperin
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You will recall authorizing a careful study of the current state of the Israeli nuclear program and analysis of our possible response to it.

We have now had two very good meetings of a special Review Group (Richardson, Packard, Wheeler, Helms and I) to review the situation and to refine our possible responses to it. We are now ready for you to consider the problem.

Our initial arrangement was that you would hold a special meeting with Secretaries Rogers and Laird, General Wheeler, Dick Helms and me. Since Elliot Richardson has played a major role in shaping the issue and may well turn out to be the executor of your decision, I would urge including him in this group.

We would be prepared to meet with you toward the end of next week. I believe this is something we should do before the trip. The course of action we have in mind should be put in train as soon as possible and could be at least launched while we are away.

Recommendation: That you approve a meeting of a restricted group of the National Security Council on July 16.

Approve *HN*

Disapprove _____

Other _____

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