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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY TO THE DCI FOR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

SUBJECT: IC Staff Study on Intelligence Support to Strategic Forces

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I have reviewed your recent study on "Intelligence Support to Strategic Forces" and would like to point out my general problem with the report. My basic concern is with the assumption that threads its way through the paper that our current nuclear employment policy is basically compatible with the intelligence support that backs it up. This is simply not true. To a large measure, our employment policy is a reflection of the quality of intelligence, and the inadequacies in the latter tend to be reflected in targeting plans themselves.

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We expect certain modifications to our policy as a consequence, and this is likely to generate additional intelligence requirements. I will keep you abreast of these developments, but in the meantime, members of my staff would be pleased to discuss your study in greater detail.

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