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National Security Study
Directive Number 1-82U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGYIntroduction

In accordance with National Security Decision Directive 4, Disposition of Presidential Directives, PD/NSC-18, U.S. National Strategy, August 24, 1977 and PD/NSC-62, Modifications in U.S. National Strategy, January 15, 1981 are to be reviewed. This National Security Study Memorandum establishes the Terms of Reference for this review. (TS)

Objective of Review

To produce a National Security Decision Directive (NSDD), Subject: U.S. National Security Strategy, for consideration by the National Security Council and, in turn, for decision by the President. (TS)

Scope

The review will include, as a minimum, the following topics:

- Fundamental U.S. national security objectives.
- Regional security objectives.
- Impact of Soviet military power and international behavior on U.S. National Strategy.
- Role of Allies in U.S. National Strategy.
- Strategic Forces: objectives, policies, force application strategy (to include incorporation of NSDD-13), and force development strategy.

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- General Purpose Forces:
 - Policies for the use of conventional military power to secure U.S. interests in peacetime and war (to include regional considerations and priorities as appropriate).
 - Force development objectives and policies.
- Security Assistance policies and objectives.
- Interim goals: Where existing and programmed capabilities are insufficient to achieve desired objectives, interim objectives should be defined. (TS)

This study will establish U.S. National Security Strategy and will provide a foundation for companion studies on interrelated matters of national strategy such as international economic, diplomatic, arms control, and information strategies.

Administration

Management of the NSSD 1-82 review will be the responsibility of an interagency review group. The review group will report its findings for National Security Council consideration not later than April 15, 1982. The review group will be chaired by the NSC staff and members will include Assistant Secretary level representation from the Department of State, Department of Defense, Central Intelligence Agency, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. (S)

All matters relating to this NSSD will be classified Top Secret. Dissemination of this NSSD, subsequent study material, and the resulting draft NSDD will be handled on a strict need-to-know basis. (S)

Ronald Reagan