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STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION

The following guidance will govern the internal organization and operation of the US Component of the Standing Consultative Commission established by the Memorandum of Understanding between the USA and the USSR of December 21, 1972:

- A. The US Component of the Commission will consist of a Commissioner and a Deputy Commissioner designated by the President upon recommendation of the participating agencies.
- B. To assist the Commissioner in carrying on the work of the US Component, a Secretariat will be formed, consisting of an Executive Secretary and a Deputy Executive Secretary appointed by the Commissioner after coordination with the participating agencies. The agency of residence of the Commissioner, ACDA, will provide administrative support to the Secretariat as appropriate.
- C. To assist the Commissioner in the conduct of bilateral sessions of the Commission, an advisory and support staff will augment the Secretariat. This staff will be headed by the Executive Secretary and will include advisors to the Commissioner and support personnel designated by the participating agencies upon request of the Commissioner.
- D. The US Component of the Commission will maintain a close and systematic relationship with the established interagency planning and policy process for arms control negotiations.
- E. The US Component of the Commission will carry out Presidential instructions under the general direction of the National Security Council.

PD/NSC-23 of November 10, 1977, is hereby rescinded.

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