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SUBJECT: INFO REPORT TO PRES RE PROJECT TRUTH

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White House Guidelines, August 28, 1997
By 12-1 NARA, Date 1/14/09

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR PRES

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To Staffing

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
and
Deputy to the Chief of Staff
(x-2702)

**International
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United States of America

Washington, D. C. 20547

Office of the Director



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January 4, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased to report that your directive of last summer initiating Project Truth has resulted in an unprecedented demonstration of teamwork among the foreign affairs agencies of the United States Government.

As you requested, we have organized ourselves into inter-Agency working groups on specific issues - all reporting to the Project Truth Coordinating Committee which I chair.

You will see from this brief report on the various projects completed and underway that Project Truth has drawn on the special strengths of the participating agencies to forge a truly powerful weapon.

We shared our concern with you last summer that the Soviet Union has been effectively exploiting existing unrest the world over and in particular beclouding their own aggressive behavior with a campaign of disinformation intended to discredit us with our NATO allies. Therefore a number of our Project Truth initiatives are designed to alert our allies to the reality of the Soviet threat, by documenting both their capabilities and their actions.

SOVIET MILITARY POWER

"Soviet Military Power," the Pentagon's publication assessing the Soviet threat, was the product of an inter-Agency working group responding to the requests of our NATO allies for declassified material to document the threat. (Tab B)

The President
The White House

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We arranged direct satellite broadcast to Europe of Secretary Weinberger's September 29, 1981, release day press conference; assembled a group of top European defense writers in Brussels to view the Weinberger presentation and to receive additional live briefings; distributed summaries of "Soviet Military Power" in foreign language versions worldwide on release day as well as some 6,000 copies of the document itself.

Secretary Weinberger, as part of the ongoing follow-up activities, participated in a live satellite broadcast "video dialogue" on the Soviet threat, reaching some 8,000,000 German viewers.

We have also produced two films to support theme of the Soviet threat and the US response: "Soviet Military Power," and "RDF" (Rapid Deployment Force), now in distribution to our Embassies/posts around the world.
(Tab C)

With respect to the Soviet propaganda and disinformation campaign we have undertaken the following projects:

ACTIVE MEASURES

We have distributed worldwide a report on worldwide Soviet disinformation activities, "Active Measures," collected by the CIA and prepared for public release by the Department of State. (Tab D) An inter-Agency briefing team toured major European capitals to provide officials with additional facts.

We have also secured international projection rights for a Canadian film, "The KGB in North America," and are sending prints to our posts.

SOVIET PROPAGANDA ALERT

Two new ICA products provide our officers overseas with information on Soviet propaganda activities: the "Soviet

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Propaganda Alert," a monthly analysis of major trends and themes; and a fast response service to counter Soviet misstatements to give our posts the facts to deal with specific instances of Soviet disinformation targetted locally. (Tab E)

An additional service being instituted by an inter-Agency group will respond to field reports of Soviet forgeries aimed at damaging US interests. (Tab E)

In addition to providing documentation of Soviet military power and Soviet disinformation activities, Project Truth also unmasks the brutal realities of Soviet behavior in the Third World:

AFGHANISTAN

As the second anniversary of the Soviet invasion draws close, our printing plant in Manila is preparing 25,000 copies in English, Spanish, French and Arabic of an illustrated pamphlet on the situation in Afghanistan. This inter-agency product will be distributed worldwide in January 1982. (Tab F)

We are also acquiring footage from German, British and Italian television to produce a documentary on the Afghan partisans.

One of our senior officers with experience in Afghanistan was part of the inter-Agency team which recently briefed European officials and journalists on the struggle for freedom in Afghanistan.

CHEMICAL-BIOLOGICAL WARFARE

An inter-Agency group is working on the continuing public release of classified evidence which proves the Soviets and their allies have been using chemical and biological weapons on Third World victims.

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We have provided facilitative assistance to ABC for their documentary on "yellow rain" and have sponsored the European lecture tour of the world's leading expert on "yellow rain," Sterling Seagrave.

An inter-Agency briefing team on the Soviet use chemical-biological warfare recently completed a European tour.

CUBA, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE CARIBBEAN

An inter-Agency group is working on the public release of classified documentation of the subversive activities of Soviet surrogates - principally Cuba - in the Western Hemisphere.

HUMAN RIGHTS

While most of these Project Truth topics perforce depict Soviet violations of human rights, a telling evaluation of the Soviet concept of human rights is being prepared by one of the inter-Agency groups. Entitled "Crime and Punishment in the Soviet Union," this study of the Soviet penal system will be released by our delegation to the Committee on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Madrid.

While Project Truth aims to emphasize, especially to our European allies, that the Soviet challenge is real and must be met with Western resolve, Project Truth is equally responsible for projecting a clear statement of what we stand for. Thus we supported your peace initiative by assuring maximum worldwide coverage by TV satellite, and, in fact, the impetus for the timing and content of your historic November '18 "zero option" speech came from one of the Project Truth working groups. We have maintained the momentum of your initiative by arranging a live satellite broadcast of Secretary Haig's statement on the November 30 opening of the INF negotiations. (Tab G)

ARMS REDUCTION TALKS

We have included ACDA in Project Truth Executive Committee meetings to share ideas on public diplomacy strategies for

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the INF negotiations and ICA has detailed an experienced German speaking Public Affairs Officer to the delegation for the duration of the talks to balance anticipated Soviet efforts to play to the German press.

DATELINE AMERICA

We are inaugurating a new feature service, Dateline America, which will provide our posts with packets of articles for foreign press placement on the general theme of "what's good about America." Once again, inter-Agency teamwork is the key to achieving the kind of impact we seek. Public affairs officers from 16 agencies have agreed to supply Dateline America, as relevant, with material on the United States from their special perspective. (Tab H)

ICA MEDIA RESOURCES

We are moving forward on all media fronts with support materials for our posts. Our Foreign Press Centers have been arranging briefings and tours for foreign correspondents and visiting journalists, while a steady stream of public affairs guidance cables, research reports, magazine articles, visual materials, TV programs, speakers and books has been reaching our people in the field for public affairs programs and Project Truth themes.

Two of our most effective tools are, of course, VOA and the Wireless File. VOA broadcasts cover speeches and statements of top US Government officials to an audience of countless millions worldwide. The same coverage, in print, of official speeches, statements and analyses on Project Truth items goes daily to 201 posts in 125 countries where it is distributed to top Embassy contacts in government, the media, and the private sector.

REACTION FROM THE FIELD

We have heard from our posts the world over, that the Soviet response to Project Truth has been a stepping up of the frequency and level of their anti-American propaganda - including vicious personal attacks on top members of your

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Administration. This type of reaction from the Kremlin is usually an accurate indicator of the effectiveness of our efforts. As Ambassador Hartman reports from Moscow, "you must be doing something right."

Our two new products described above, "Soviet Propaganda Alert" and the "Countering Soviet Misstatements" cable service, have proven to be a valued resource specially designed to serve our people in the field who are being subjected to this heightened Soviet assault. Typically our posts use this material for staff orientation as well as background with key foreign contacts. The cable responses to specific instances of Soviet misstatements are being used for official protests to foreign governments as well as for press statements to set the record straight. (Tab E)

You will be pleased to learn of a new awareness in the field of Soviet disinformation activities and the establishment in Washington of a systematic coordinated inter-Agency response mechanism under Project Truth.

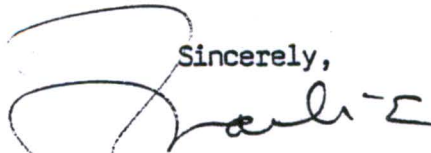
PRIVATE SECTOR

At the same, time our early efforts to engage the Private Sector in some of these activities promise a rich source of brains, talent, and, in some cases, resources to support our programs. In particular we can anticipate receiving the services of speakers from foundations and corporations, publications for distribution to prime audiences overseas, and possible financial backing for exhibitions and cultural presentations.

CONCLUSION

In sum, Project Truth is off to a fine start thanks to your continuing support and encouragement. I will, of course, keep you closely informed on our progress in coming months. We are confident of the validity of the course we are charting in response to the challenges we face.

Sincerely,



Charles Z. Wick
Director

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YEARS' IMPRISONMENT WOULD BE DULY HANDED OUT DURING THE TRIALS, BUT THE IMPLICATED MEN WOULD BE QUIETLY FREED AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL STORM OVER THE SKYJACKING HAS SUBSIDED. AT LEAST ONE DESPATCH FROM JOHANNESBURG HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT IS ALSO A PARTY TO THE DEAL ALONG WITH THE SEYCHELLES ADMINISTRATION, WHICH HAS ASKED THE MEN TO GIVE A GUARANTEE THAT THEY WOULD NOT UNDERTAKE THIS TYPE OF ADVENTURE AGAIN.

LATEST REPORTS FROM SOUTH AFRICA SAY THAT AN ELABORATE CHARADE IS NOW ON IN THE SHAPE OF MOCK TRIALS OF THE MERCENARIES. IN EACH CASE THE ACCUSED PAID THE BAILS, RANGING FROM 400 POUNDS TO 7,500 POUNDS, CHEERFULLY AND NONE OF THEM APPEARED PERTURBED ALTHOUGH THE CHARGES COULD CUMULATIVELY LEAD TO JAIL SENTENCES UP TO 90 YEARS.

IN ONE TRIAL, WHERE 21 OF THE ACCUSED APPEARED TOGETHER, THERE WAS JOKING BETWEEN THE MEN IN THE DOCK AND THE POLICE. THE LEVITY ELIED THE GRAVITY OF THE CHARGES.

IT IS WIDELY BELIEVED HERE THAT THE SEYCHELLES COUP ATTEMPT LED BY COL. HOARE, A WELL-KNOWN CONGO MERCENARY, HAD THE BACKING OF SEVERAL INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATIONS OF WESTERN GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED ABOUT THE ALLEGED COMMUNIST LINKS OF PRESIDENT RENE'S SOCIALIST REGIME. AFTER THE COUP DEBACLE, SOUTH AFRICA HAD TO CARRY THE BURDEN OF THE BLAME IN PUBLIC. THE "RESCUE OPERATION" LAUNCHED BY THE CONCERNED WESTERN GOVERNMENTS IS MEANT BOTH TO APPEASE THE OUTRAGED INTERNATIONAL OPINION AND THE QUALMS OF CONSCIENCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, WITHOUT WHOSE COMPLICITY AND KNOWLEDGE THE COUP ATTEMPT COULD NOT HAVE TAKEN OFF. THOSE INVOLVED IN THE COUP ATTEMPT INCLUDED SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE RHODESIAN SECURITY FORCES AND AT LEAST TWO KNOWN AGENTS OF SOUTH AFRICA'S NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SER-

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1. JANUARY 9 "TIMES OF INDIA" (INDEPENDENT, WELL ESTABLISHED NATIONAL PAPER, OFTEN CRITICAL OF U.S.), PUBLISHED FOLLOWING ARTICLE WHICH MAY BE PART OF CAMPAIGN DESCRIBED IN REFTEL.

BEGIN TEXT:

EVIDENCE IS EMERGING THAT A DEAL HAS BEEN STRUCK BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND SEVERAL WESTERN GOVERNMENTS FOR STAGING MOCK TRIALS OF WHITE MERCENARIES WHO HIJACKED AN AIR-INDIA BOEING TO DURBAN FOLLOWING THE SEYCHELLES COUP ATTEMPT IN NOVEMBER.

THE AIM APPEARS TO BE TO ENABLE PRETORIA TO CLAIM THAT IT HAS ACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON SKYJACKING.

THE SUDDEN DECISION OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO ORDER THE ARREST AND PROSECUTION OF ALL 45 MERCENARIES UNDER CIVIL AVIATION LAWS AGAINST SKYJACKING IS SEEN HERE AS PART OF THE DEAL. THIRTY-NINE OF THEM WERE INITIALLY RELEASED AFTER THE AIRLINER LANDED. ONLY FIVE WERE HELD PENDING TRIAL ON THE MUCH LESSER CHARGE OF KIDNAPPING.

THE UNDERSTANDING APPARENTLY REACHED BY THE CONCERNED GOVERNMENTS IS THAT THE HARSH PENALTIES RANGING UP TO 30

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VICE. MARTIN DOLINCHEK AND MARTIN DONALDSON. ONE OF THEM,
LT. RICHARD STANNARD, WAS RECENTLY DECORATED FOR VALOUR
WHILE SERVING WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN ARMY IN ANGOLA.

APART FROM THOSE IN SOUTH AFRICA, SEVEN MERCENARIES ARE
STATED TO BE ON TRIAL FOR SIMILAR OFFENCES IN PORT VICTOR-
IA, THE SEYCHELLES CAPITAL. THESE MEN COULD NOT MAKE
THEIR GETAWAY IN THE AIR-INDIA PLANE. END TEXT.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THIS ARTICLE CLEARLY SUPPORTS
MOSCOW'S LINE ON HIJACKING, WE HAVE NO RPT NO EVIDENCE
THAT IT IS SOVIET INSPIRED. BARNES

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SUBJECT: USICA "AFGHANISTAN" PAMPHLET CONDEMNED
IN IZVESTIYA

1. SUMMARY: IZVESTIYA INVEIGHS AGAINST THE
USICA PAMPHLET "AFGHANISTAN: THE STRUGGLE TO
REGAIN FREEDOM." THE ARTICLE BEGINS WITH
REMARKS MADE BY PRESIDENT REAGAN AT THE END
OF CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S VISIT, PROCEEDS TO
DESCRIBE WHAT AMERICA CALLS "FREEDOM FIGHTERS"
AS "RABBLE" IN THE HIRE OF WASHINGTON AND PEKING
THAT COMMIT ATROCITIES DAILY AND CONCLUDES
THAT THEIR PATRONS HAVE BLOOD ON THEIR HANDS.
END SUMMARY.

2. IN AN ARTICLE ENTITLED "BLOOD ON THE
PATRONS," IZVESTIYA STAFFER YURIY BANDURA USES
THE RELEASE OF USICA'S "AFGHANISTAN" PAMPHLET
TO ATTACK ALLEGED US PATRONAGE OF "BANDIT
RABBLE." DURING AN EXCHANGE OF SPEECHES AT THE
CONCLUSION OF CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S VISIT TO
WASHINGTON, SAYS BANDURA, "THE HEAD OF THE
AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION DEEMED IT NECESSARY TO
DEVOTE A PART OF HIS SPEECH TO AN EVENT NOT
DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE DISCUSSIONS. 'THE
UNITED STATES, THROUGH ICA, IS TODAY RELEASING
FOR OVERSEAS DISTRIBUTION A BOOK, '--HE DECLARED, --
'WHICH ELOQUENTLY DOCUMENTS THE HUMAN CHARACTER
OF THE AFGHAN STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM.' (SIC)
SO WITH THE 'PRESENTING' BY THE US PRESIDENT
BEGAN THE ADVERTISING OF YET ANOTHER PRODUCT
OF ICA, THE HEADQUARTERS OF CAMPAIGNS OF
DISINFORMATION AND SLANDER WITH A THICK ANTI-
SOVIET LEVENING."

3. BANDURA DEVOTES THE REMAINDER OF THE ARTICLE
TO DETAILING VARIOUS ATROCITIES OF THE "BANDIT
RABBLE AND MERCENARIES OF WASHINGTON AND PEKING."
HE MOCKS US CLAIMS OF A "HUMAN SIDE" TO THE
AFGHAN STRUGGLE AND MAINTAINS THAT THE "STRUGGLE
FOR FREEDOM" IS ACTUALLY THE ONE BEING WAGED BY
THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT AGAINST COUNTER-REVOLUTION.
BANDURA THEN LINKS THE AFGHAN REBEL LEADERS

WITH US SPECIAL SERVICES, ESPECIALLY SHEIKH
MUKHAMED MOKHSIN. "EACH BAND HAS ITS RINGLEADER
(GLAVAR'). EACH LEADER HAS HIS BIOGRAPHY.
AND EVERY BIOGRAPHY IS WELL-KNOWN TO THOSE WHO WITH
INCREASING FERVOUR FOIST MURDERERS AND ROBBERS
ON THE WORLD AS 'HERO-LIBERATORS.'"

4. THE ARTICLE CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT NOT
ONLY ARE PAYMENTS TO THESE "GANGS" NOT NIGGARDLY,
THEY ARE LAUDED AS A GOOD DEED. "ONLY ONE
THING IS HIDDEN: THE PHARISAICAL BENEFACTORS
DEMAND PAYMENT FOR THEIR GENEROSITY. AND THE
BANDITS PAY. THEY PAY IN THE TEARS OF THE
ROBBED AND MAIMED, THEY PAY IN THE BLOOD OF
THE TORMENTED AND MURDERED. THEY PAY NOT
JUST SOMEONE, BUT PRECISELY THEM, THEIR
CREDITORS AND PATRONS."

5. COMMENT: THE ARTICLE MAKES NO SPECIFIC
REFERENCES TO THE CONTENTS OF THE PAMPHLET
BUT, UNLIKE THE BULK OF ARTICLES ON
AFGHANISTAN IN THE SOVIET PRESS, IT DIRECTLY
CONFRONTS THE US OVER THE EVENTS THERE AND
IS AN INDICATION OF THEIR SENSITIVITY ON
THIS ISSUE. THIS IS FIRST MENTION IN SOVIET
MEDIA OF USICA'S PUBLICATION ON AFGHANISTAN.
WE HAVE CAREFULLY CONTROLLED ITS DISTRIBUTION
TO MEMBERS OF FRIENDLY EMBASSIES AND HAVE NOT
RELEASED COPIES TO ANY SOVIET OFFICIALS. P&C
DID GIVE WIDE DISTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNIQUE
OF THE REAGAN-SCHMIDT MEETING AND PRESIDENT
REAGAN'S ADDITIONAL STATEMENT ON SCHMIDT'S
DEPARTURE WHICH CONTAINED THE REFERENCE TO
THE AFGHANISTAN PAMPHLET. WHILE BANDURA'S
QUOTATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN'S REMARKS IS

ACCURATE UP TO A POINT HE CONCLUDES THE

QUOTE BY STATING "THE AFGHAN STRUGGLE FOR
FREEDOM", WHEREAS THE PRESIDENT SAID "THE
AFGHAN STRUGGLE AGAINST SOVIET INVASION
FORCES." APPARENTLY THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN
TOO MUCH FOR SOVIET READERS. HARTMAN
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1. SUMMARY: THE SOVIET MINISTRY OF DEFENSE HAS PUBLISHED A "SOVIET MILITARY POWER" IN REVERSE -- A BOOKLET ENTITLED "FROM WHENCE THE THREAT TO PEACE" WHICH DEALS WITH THE "DEVELOPMENT OF U.S. ARMED FORCES AND MILITARY INDUSTRIAL POTENTIAL." ALTHOUGH THE BOOKLET, LADEN WITH COLOR CHARTS, WAS SHOWN ON SOVIET TV EVENING NEWS JANUARY 13, THE SOVIETS HAVE NOT YET MADE IT AVAILABLE. THE BOOKLET'S MAIN CONCLUSION, JUDGING FROM A TASS REPORT, IS THAT THERE IS AN "APPROXIMATE PARITY" BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST, BETWEEN THE WARSAW PACT AND NATO IN STRATEGIC AND IN MEDIUM-RANGE NUCLEAR SYSTEMS, AND IN CONVENTIONAL ARMAMENTS. THE BOOKLET APPEARS TO CONTAIN A REITERATION OF SOVIET PROPAGANDA THEMES, A DISTORTED HISTORY OF U.S. DEFENSE AND FOREIGN POLICY IN THE POST-WAR ERA, AND A PRESENTATION OF "FACTS" ABOUT U.S. FORCE STRUCTURE. END SUMMARY.

2. A JANUARY 13 TASS REPORT ON THE BOOKLET STRESSES SEVERAL STANDARD PROPAGANDA THEMES:

- THE U.S. MAINTAINS THE LARGEST AND BEST TECHNICALLY-EQUIPPED ARMED FORCE AMONG THE CAPITALIST STATES TO ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS GLOBAL DESIGNS.
- IT IS THE U.S. WHICH HAS CREATED NEW SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS: ATOMIC BOMB IN THE 1940S, STRATEGIC

- BOMBER PROGRAM IN THE 1950S ON THE PRETEXT OF A BOMBER GAP, AND IN THE 1960S MASSIVE DEPLOYMENT OF LAND-BASED ICBMS FOLLOWING THE CLAMOR OVER THE ALLEGED MISSILE GAP, MIRVING AT THE TURN OF THE 1970S, AND LATER LONG-RANGE CRUISE MISSILES AND THE NEUTRON WEAPON.

- FAR FROM CREATING NEW TYPES OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, THE USSR HAS "ONLY REACTED TO THE THREATS" POSED BY THE WEST.

IN ADDITION TO THESE POINTS, THE BOOKLET TROTS OUT OTHER SHOPWORN PROPAGANDA LINES DEALING WITH "U.S. POSITIONS-OF-STRENGTH POLICY," U.S. EFFORTS TO ENSURE "MILITARY SUPERIORITY," AND U.S. "UNRESTRAINED MILITARY BUILDUP" WHICH CREATES A "REAL THREAT TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF PEOPLES."

3. A JANUARY 14 TASS REPORT STRESSES THE EXISTENCE OF "APPROXIMATE PARITY"-- OVERALL AND IN EACH CATEGORY OF FORCES: STRATEGIC, MEDIUM-RANGE NUCLEAR, CONVENTIONAL. TASS ASSERTS THAT IN THE SALT-2 NEGOTIATIONS SOVIET AND AMERICAN EXPERTS "VERIFIED" APPROXIMATE STRATEGIC PARITY IN DELIVERY SYSTEMS, 2,500 ON ONE SIDE, 2,300 ON THE OTHER. AFTER SALT-2 WAS SIGNED, HOWEVER, JIMMY CARTER AND THEN RONALD REAGAN DECLARED THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD LEFT THE U.S. FAR BEHIND IN STRATEGIC ARMS, THOUGH IT IS "UNTHINKABLE TO ATTAIN SUPERIORITY IN SUCH A BRIEF PERIOD OF TIME." APPARENTLY QUOTING THE BOOKLET, TASS SAYS THE AMERICAN RULERS HAVE "SET FOR THEMSELVES THE AIM OF CHANGING IN THEIR FAVOR THE CORRELATION OF FORCES IN THE WORLD ARENA AND OF ATTAINING MILITARY SUPPRIORITY." HARTMAN BT

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January 4, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased to report that your directive of last summer initiating Project Truth has resulted in an unprecedented demonstration of teamwork among the foreign affairs agencies of the United States Government.

As you requested, we have organized ourselves into inter-Agency working groups on specific issues - all reporting to the Project Truth Coordinating Committee which I chair.

You will see from this brief report on the various projects completed and underway that Project Truth has drawn on the special strengths of the participating agencies to forge a truly powerful weapon.

We shared our concern with you last summer that the Soviet Union has been effectively exploiting existing unrest the world over and in particular beclouding their own aggressive behavior with a campaign of disinformation intended to discredit us with our NATO allies. Therefore a number of our Project Truth initiatives are designed to alert our allies to the reality of the Soviet threat, by documenting both their capabilities and their actions.

SOVIET MILITARY POWER

"Soviet Military Power," the Pentagon's publication assessing the Soviet threat, was the product of an inter-Agency working group responding to the requests of our NATO allies for declassified material to document the threat. (Tab B)

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We arranged direct satellite broadcast to Europe of Secretary Weinberger's September 29, 1981, release day press conference; assembled a group of top European defense writers in Brussels to view the Weinberger presentation and to receive additional live briefings; distributed summaries of "Soviet Military Power" in foreign language versions worldwide on release day as well as some 6,000 copies of the document itself.

Secretary Weinberger, as part of the ongoing follow-up activities, participated in a live satellite broadcast "video dialogue" on the Soviet threat, reaching some 8,000,000 German viewers.

We have also produced two films to support theme of the Soviet threat and the US response: "Soviet Military Power," and "RDF" (Rapid Deployment Force), now in distribution to our Embassies/posts around the world.
(Tab C)

With respect to the Soviet propaganda and disinformation campaign we have undertaken the following projects:

ACTIVE MEASURES

We have distributed worldwide a report on worldwide Soviet disinformation activities, "Active Measures," collected by the CIA and prepared for public release by the Department of State. (Tab D) An inter-Agency briefing team toured major European capitals to provide officials with additional facts.

We have also secured international projection rights for a Canadian film, "The KGB in North America," and are sending prints to our posts.

SOVIET PROPAGANDA ALERT

Two new ICA products provide our officers overseas with information on Soviet propaganda activities: the "Soviet

Propaganda Alert," a monthly analysis of major trends and themes; and a fast response service to counter Soviet misstatements to give our posts the facts to deal with specific instances of Soviet disinformation targetted locally. (Tab E)

An additional service being instituted by an inter-Agency group will respond to field reports of Soviet forgeries aimed at damaging US interests. (Tab E)

In addition to providing documentation of Soviet military power and Soviet disinformation activities, Project Truth also unmaskes the brutal realities of Soviet behavior in the Third World:

AFGHANISTAN

As the second anniversary of the Soviet invasion draws close, our printing plant in Manila is preparing 25,000 copies in English, Spanish, French and Arabic of an illustrated pamphlet on the situation in Afghanistan. This inter-agency product will be distributed worldwide in January 1982. (Tab F)

We are also acquiring footage from German, British and Italian television to produce a documentary on the Afghan partisans.

One of our senior officers with experience in Afghanistan was part of the inter-Agency team which recently briefed European officials and journalists on the struggle for freedom in Afghanistan.

CHEMICAL-BIOLOGICAL WARFARE

An inter-Agency group is working on the continuing public release of classified evidence which proves the Soviets and their allies have been using chemical and biological weapons on Third World victims.

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We have provided facilitative assistance to ABC for their documentary on "yellow rain" and have sponsored the European lecture tour of the world's leading expert on "yellow rain," Sterling Seagrave.

An inter-Agency briefing team on the Soviet use chemical-biological warfare recently completed a European tour.

CUBA, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE CARIBBEAN

An inter-Agency group is working on the public release of classified documentation of the subversive activities of Soviet surrogates - principally Cuba - in the Western Hemisphere.

HUMAN RIGHTS

While most of these Project Truth topics perforce depict Soviet violations of human rights, a telling evaluation of the Soviet concept of human rights is being prepared by one of the inter-Agency groups. Entitled "Crime and Punishment in the Soviet Union," this study of the Soviet penal system will be released by our delegation to the Committee on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Madrid.

While Project Truth aims to emphasize, especially to our European allies, that the Soviet challenge is real and must be met with Western resolve, Project Truth is equally responsible for projecting a clear statement of what we stand for. Thus we supported your peace initiative by assuring maximum worldwide coverage by TV satellite, and, in fact, the impetus for the timing and content of your historic November 18 "zero option" speech came from one of the Project Truth working groups. We have maintained the momentum of your initiative by arranging a live satellite broadcast of Secretary Haig's statement on the November 30 opening of the INF negotiations. (Tab G)

ARMS REDUCTION TALKS

We have included ACDA in Project Truth Executive Committee meetings to share ideas on public diplomacy strategies for

the INF negotiations and ICA has detailed an experienced German speaking Public Affairs Officer to the delegation for the duration of the talks to balance anticipated Soviet efforts to play to the German press.

DATELINE AMERICA

We are inaugurating a new feature service, Dateline America, which will provide our posts with packets of articles for foreign press placement on the general theme of "what's good about America." Once again, inter-Agency teamwork is the key to achieving the kind of impact we seek. Public affairs officers from 16 agencies have agreed to supply Dateline America, as relevant, with material on the United States from their special perspective. (Tab H)

ICA MEDIA RESOURCES

We are moving forward on all media fronts with support materials for our posts. Our Foreign Press Centers have been arranging briefings and tours for foreign correspondents and visiting journalists, while a steady stream of public affairs guidance cables, research reports, magazine articles, visual materials, TV programs, speakers and books has been reaching our people in the field for public affairs programs and Project Truth themes.

Two of our most effective tools are, of course, VOA and the Wireless File. VOA broadcasts cover speeches and statements of top US Government officials to an audience of countless millions worldwide. The same coverage, in print, of official speeches, statements and analyses on Project Truth items goes daily to 201 posts in 125 countries where it is distributed to top Embassy contacts in government, the media, and the private sector.

REACTION FROM THE FIELD

We have heard from our posts the world over, that the Soviet response to Project Truth has been a stepping up of the frequency and level of their anti-American propaganda - including vicious personal attacks on top members of your

Administration. This type of reaction from the Kremlin is usually an accurate indicator of the effectiveness of our efforts. As Ambassador Hartman reports from Moscow, "you must be doing something right."

Our two new products described above, "Soviet Propaganda Alert" and the "Countering Soviet Misstatements" cable service, have proven to be a valued resource specially designed to serve our people in the field who are being subjected to this heightened Soviet assault. Typically our posts use this material for staff orientation as well as background with key foreign contacts. The cable responses to specific instances of Soviet misstatements are being used for official protests to foreign governments as well as for press statements to set the record straight. (Tab E)

You will be pleased to learn of a new awareness in the field of Soviet disinformation activities and the establishment in Washington of a systematic coordinated inter-Agency response mechanism under Project Truth.

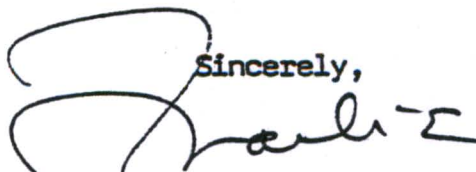
PRIVATE SECTOR

At the same, time our early efforts to engage the Private Sector in some of these activities promise a rich source of brains, talent, and, in some cases, resources to support our programs. In particular we can anticipate receiving the services of speakers from foundations and corporations, publications for distribution to prime audiences overseas, and possible financial backing for exhibitions and cultural presentations.

CONCLUSION

In sum, Project Truth is off to a fine start thanks to your continuing support and encouragement. I will, of course, keep you closely informed on our progress in coming months. We are confident of the validity of the course we are charting in response to the challenges we face.

Sincerely,



Charles Z. Wick
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1. FURTHER TO REPORT REF A ON NICARAGUAN FOREIGN MINISTER' S
14 JANUARY VISIT TO SAN JOSE: ALTHOUGH D' ESCOTO DID NOT RPT
NOT REFER TO THE CIA IN HIS PUBLIC STATEMENT ON ARRIVAL
AT THE CASA PRESIDENCIAL (REF B), HE DID MAKE THE CHARGE OF
CIA INVOLVEMENT IN SUBSEQUENT COMMENTS TO MEMBERS OF THE
PRESS. ONE SUCH: "INVOLVED ARE PERSONS ENLISTED BY
INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES TO COMMIT SABOTAGE AND CRIMES AGAINST
PROGRESSIVE GOVERNMENTS IT IS EASY TO BELIEVE THAT
BEHIND THE PLOT ONE CAN FIND THE U. S. CENTRAL
INTELLIGENCE AGENCY."

2. IN OTHER COMMENTS IN SAN JOSE, D' ESCOTO:
-- REFERRED TO THE "VERBAL TERRORISM" USED BY PRESIDENT
REAGAN AGAINST NICARAGUA;
-- ACCUSED THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION OF BEING AN
ACCOMPLICE IN MILITARY TRAINING OF "TERRORISTS" IN FLORIDA
AND CALIFORNIA "IN OPEN VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW
AND U. S. LEGISLATION"; AND
-- REFERRING TO THE ARAFAT STATEMENT, STATED THAT
NICARAGUA "MAINTAINS RELATIONS WITH THE PLO AND WE HAVE
THE RIGHT TO ASK ITS ASSISTANCE, LIKE ANY OTHER NATION."
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RESPONSE TO "SOVIET MILITARY POWER" (SMP) -- IS
IMPRESSIVE PROPAGANDA. IT IS A SOPHISTICATED, GLOSSY
BOOKLET FULL OF DATA TAKEN LARGELY FROM WESTERN
SOURCES, PHOTOGRAPHS OF U.S. WEAPONS SYSTEMS, AND
CHARTS, INCLUDING COMPARATIVE DATA ON NATO-WP AND
U.S.-SOVIET CAPABILITIES. WTP ARGUES ITS MAIN
POINTS IN A SUPERFICIALLY APPEALING WAY:

- FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ATOMIC BOMB IN
THE 1940S TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC
CRUISE MISSILES AND THE NEUTRON WEAPON IN RECENT
YEARS, TO THE NEW STRATEGIC FORCES MODERNIZATION
PROGRAM, IT IS THE U.S. THAT HAS LED THE WAY IN
THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW, MORE SOPHISTICATED
WEAPONS;

- APPROXIMATE PARITY EXISTS AT EVERY LEVEL: BETWEEN
NATO AND WARSAW PACT FORCES, U.S. AND SOVIET
FORCES, U.S. AND SOVIET STRATEGIC FORCES, AND U.S.
AND SOVIET GENERAL PURPOSES FORCES; AND
AND SOVIET GENERAL PURPOSES FORCES; AND

- SMP PRESENTS A MISLEADING PICTURE BECAUSE IT
CONTAINS NO COMPARATIVE DATA.

SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH CAREFUL ARGUMENTATION OF THESE POINTS,
HOWEVER, SMP ENGAGES IN STRIDENT PROPAGANDA. FOR
EXAMPLE, "THE MAIN IDEA OF U.S. MILITARY STRATEGIC
CONCEPTS CENTERS ON A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE AGAINST
THE USSR." WTP ALSO PRESENTS FAMILIAR SOVIET
ARGUMENTS ON ARMS CONTROL, INCLUDING THE USUAL CLAIMS
ON INF AND MBFR NUMBERS. AS WELL DONE AS WTP IS BY
THE STANDARDS OF SOVIET PROPAGANDA, ITS WILD CHARGES
AND DATA DISTORTIONS LEAVE IT VULNERABLE TO
CRITICISM. A GREAT VIRTUE OF SMP IS THAT
ITS DATA HAVE WITHSTOOD SCRUTINY. WTP WILL NOT
PASS THIS TEST. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING IS A PARAPHRASED SUMMARY OF THE FIRST TWO
SECTIONS OF WTP -- "INTRODUCTION," AND "THEY CALL THIS
OBJECTIVE." THESE SECTIONS CONTAIN THE BOOKLET'S MAIN
POINTS, AND MAKE COMPARISONS WITH SMP. SEPTELS ANALYZE
WTP AND SUMMARIZE ITS REMAINING SECTIONS.

"INTRODUCTION" (2 PAGES)

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3. THE "RELAXATION OF TENSIONS" IN THE 1970S HAS GIVEN WAY AT THE TURN OF THE 1980S TO A "SHARP ABOUT-TURN IN THE POLICY OF THE U.S. AND A NUMBER OF OTHER NATO COUNTRIES." U.S. LEADERS DECLARE THAT NUCLEAR WAR IS THINKABLE, AND PROCLAIM FAR-AWAY SPHERES OF "VITAL INTEREST." THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION AND ITS "BELLICOSE" NATO PARTNERS HAVE SET OUT TO UPSET THE MILITARY-STRATEGIC EQUILIBRIUM, JUSTIFYING THIS BY FABRICATING THE MYTH OF A "SOVIET WAR THREAT."

4. A SPECIAL PLACE IN THE U.S. CAMPAIGN OF "FAR-

FETCHED CONJECTURES" GOES TO SMP, THE PENTAGON PAMPHLET DESIGNED TO FRIGHTEN THE PUBLIC AND CONVINCE IT OF THE NEED FOR A FURTHER BUILD-UP OF U.S. AND NATO MILITARY STRENGTH. THE PAMPHLET DESERVES SPECIAL MENTION ONLY BECAUSE IT REFLECTS TENDENCIES IN THE U.S. TO TORMPEDETENTE, STOKED UP TENSIONS, AND TRIGGER AN UNBRIDLED ARMS RACE. SINCE THE U.S. PUBLISHED "TENDENTIOUSLY SELECTED AND DELIBERATELY DISTORTED INFORMATION" ABOUT THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES, IT IS NECESSARY TO SHOW THE OTHER SIDE SO THAT CONCLUSIONS CAN BE DRAWN ON THE BASIS OF COMPARATIVE DATA. THIS BOOK "EXAMINES THE PRESENT STATE AND ORIENTATION OF THE ARMED FORCES AND MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL" POTENTIAL OF THE U.S. AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE "U.S. WAR MACHINE" UPON WHICH THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION RELIES TO CONDUCT A POLICY "FROM POSITIONS OF STRENGTH" AND TO SECURE MILITARY SUPERIORITY.

"1. THEY CALL THIS OBJECTIVE" (8 PAGES)

5. SMP CONTAINS "NOT THE SLIGHTEST DATA" ON U.S. AND NATO FORCES. IF IT DID "EVERYONE WOULD EASILY HAVE SEEN THE ROUGH MILITARY PARITY OF THE SIDES, THE ABSENCE OF ANY 'THREAT TO WESTERN STRATEGIC INTERESTS,' AND THE NONEXISTENCE OF THE ALLEGED SOVIET 'CHALLENGE' TO THE WEST."

6. THE U.S. DEVELOPED THE ATOMIC BOMB AND USED IT IN 1945, BUILT AN ARMADA OF STRATEGIC BOMBERS IN THE 1950S ON THE EXCUSE OF HAVING FALLEN BEHIND IN BOMBERS, INITIATED A MASSIVE ICBM DEPLOYMENT IN THE 1960S BECAUSE OF A MISSILE GAP THAT HAD BEEN EXAGGERATED 15-TO-20 TIMES OVER, LAUNCHED A PROGRAM TO BUILD 41 SSBNS WHEN NO ONE ELSE HAD THEM, FITTED SLBMS WITH MRVS IN THE MID-60S,

ARMED STRATEGIC BALLISTIC MISSILES WITH MIRVS AT THE END OF THE 1960S AND BEGINNING OF THE 1970S, DEVELOPED THEREAFTER AT "CRASH RATES" STRATEGIC CRUISE MISSILES, AND IN 1981 THE U.S. PRESIDENT ORDERED THE FULL-SCALE MANUFACTURE OF THE NEUTRON WEAPON. "AS FOR THE SOVIET UNION IT INITIATED NO NEW TYPES OF WEAPONS THROUGHOUT POSTWAR HISTORY." IN OCTOBER 1981, THE U.S. PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIC ARMS BUILD-UP. "SO,

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WHOSE IS THE CHALLENGE?"

7. SMP FAILS TO MENTION THAT THE U.S. HAS 10,000 NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN ITS "STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE FORCES" (1053 ICBMS, 648 SLBMS, MORE THAN 570 HEAVY BOMBERS, PLUS 65 MEDIUM BOMBERS). IN ADDITION IT HAS "THOUSANDS OF NUCLEAR-CAPABLE AIRCRAFT IN ITS FORWARD-BASED FORCES IN THE PROXIMITY OF SOVIET TERRITORY IN EUROPE, THE FAR EAST, AND THE INDIAN OCEAN. "IT SHOULD ALSO BE BORNE IN MIND" THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS CONFRONTED ALSO BY TWO OTHER WESTERN NUCLEAR POWERS, AND THAT "THE THREAT OF CHINA'S NUCLEAR FORCES IS, FOR THE TIME BEING,

MORE SERIOUS FOR THE SOVIET UNION THAN FOR THE UNITED STATES."

8. THE "PENTAGON IS TRYING TO FRIGHTEN THE WORLD PUBLIC WITH THE GROWTH OF THE SOVIET NAVY AND ITS NOW GREATER CAPABILITY IN DISTANT REGIONS OF THE WORLD." BUT THE USSR HAS TWO "AIR-CAPABLE SHIPS" (KIEV, MINSK) WHILE THE U.S. HAS TWENTY; AND FOR ONE SOVIET NUCLEAR-POWERED CRUISER (KIROV), THE U.S. HAS NINE.

9. SMP SAYS THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS ADAPTED SOME OF ITS 203-MM AND 240-MM ARTILLERY SYSTEMS TO NUCLEAR SHELLS. "YET IT MAKES NO MENTION" OF THE 150-MM AND THE SELF-PROPELLED 203.2-MM NUCLEAR-CAPABLE HOWITZERS IN U.S. AND ALLIED ARSENALS.

10. "DELIBERATELY EXAGGERATED" FIGURES ARE CITED IN THE WEST ABOUT SOVIET MILITARY SPENDING. CONTRARY TO CLAIMS THAT IT IS CONTINUOUSLY RISING, SPENDING HAS BEEN "PRACTICALLY THE SAME OVER RECENT YEARS." THE RATE OF GROWTH IN 1978-80 OF THE U.S. MILITARY BUDGET, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL U.S. FIGURES, WAS "IN EXCESS OF 13, AND AS MUCH AS 19 IN 1981." STILL HIGHER SPENDING IS FORESEEN IN FUTURE YEARS.

11. SMP "DECLARES" THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS 135 MUNITIONS FACTORIES, BUT SAYS NOT A WORD ABOUT THE 146 USG-OPERATED PLANTS AND NEARLY 4,000 LARGE-SCALE PRIVATE ENTERPRISES. IN ONE OF ITS DIAGRAMS, SMP COMPARES THE "EXAGGERATED FLOOR SPACE OF THE NIZHNIY TAGIL RAILROAD CAR AND TANK PLANT WITH THE FLOOR SPACE OF THE BY NO MEANS LARGEST TWO AMERICAN TANK PLANTS." "WE NEED ONLY COMPARE THE NIZHNIY TAGIL PLANT WITH THE TANK COMPLEX IN DETROIT TO SEE WHAT KIND OF FACT JUGGLING THE PENTAGON ENGAGES IN." (SUPERIMPOSED ON THE SMP MAP OF DOWNTOWN WASHINGTON IS THE OUTLINE OF A "DETROIT INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX" HAVING AN AREA ROUGHLY TWICE THAT OF THE NIZHNIY TAGIL PLANT.)

12. SMP DOES NOT ADMIT THAT THE USSR HAS "MILITARY CONTINGENTS" IN THE TERRITORY OF ONLY SOME OF ITS EAST EUROPEAN ALLIES AND IN NEIGHBORING MONGOLIA AND IN AFGHANISTAN, "STRICTLY IN CONFORMANCE WITH TREATY PROVISIONS." AT THE SAME TIME, U.S. MILITARY UNITS ARE DEPLOYED IN "DOZENS OF COUNTRIES UP AND DOWN THE BT

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WORLD. "THERE ARE MORE THAN 1,500 U.S. MILITARY
INSTALLATIONS AND BASES OVERSEAS, CHIEFLY IN THE
PROXIMITY OF SOVIET BORDERS." U.S. "NUCLEAR-CAPABLE"
AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, SSBNs, AND SURFACE WARSHIPS ARE ON
CONTINUOUS PATROL NEAR THE SHORES OF EUROPE, THE FAR EAST,
AND IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. "THE MORE THAN 200,000-MAN
RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCES ARE READY TO BE MOVED MANY
THOUSANDS OF KILOMETERS FROM THE U.S."

13. THE USSR IS PORTRAYED AS THE BIGGEST EXPORTER
OF MILITARY HARDWARE, THOUGH THE U.S. ACCOUNTS FOR
NEARLY 45 OF THE WORLD'S ARMS TRADE, AND OTHER

NATO COUNTRIES FOR MORE THAN 20. LIKE OTHER WESTERN
PROPAGANDA, SMP CHARGES THE USSR WITH THE "FIB" OF
THE "EXPORT OF REVOLUTION." THE CPSU ACTS ON THE
CONVICTION THAT REVOLUTION CANNOT BE IMPOSED FROM
THE OUTSIDE. "CONVERSELY, NUMEROUS FACTS IN
HISTORY CONFIRM IMPERIALIST EXPORT OF COUNTERREVOLUTION."

14. "SOVIET MILITARY DOCTRINE, TOO, IS PRESENTED IN
A DISTORTED LIGHT." REFERRING TO "NON-EXISTENT 'SOVIET
PUBLICATIONS' AND 'STATEMENTS OF SOVIET LEADERS,'" SMP
AND CERTAIN U.S. LEADERS ALLEGE THAT SOVIET MILITARY
DOCTRINE IS AGGRESSIVE, AND THAT THE USSR "COUNTS ON
WINNING A NUCLEAR WAR BY MEANS OF A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE."
THESE ALLEGATIONS ARE "ENTIRELY GROUNDLESS." "NONE OF
THE SOVIET PARTY LEADERS OR STATESMEN HAS EVER STATED,
NOR COULD HAVE STATED, ANYTHING OF THE SORT. THE VERY
OPPOSITE IS TRUE. SOVIET MILITARY DOCTRINE IS OF A
STRICTLY DEFENSIVE NATURE." THE SOVIET UNION WILL NOT
BE THE FIRST TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS. CONVERSELY, THE
U.S. IS DEVELOPING "MILITARY-STRATEGIC CONCEPTS OF AN
UNDISGUISEDLY AGGRESSIVE NATURE." THEIR "MAIN IDEA
INVARIABLY CENTERS ON UNRESTRICTED USE OF THE U.S.
STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE FORCES IN A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE
AGAINST THE USSR." OF LATE THE U.S. HAS BEEN "PEDDLING
THE IDEA OF A SO-CALLED LIMITED NUCLEAR WAR." "PRESIDENT
REAGAN SAID IN OCTOBER 1981: 'IT COULD BE WHERE YOU HAVE
THE EXCHANGE OF TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE FIELD
WITHOUT IT BRINGING EITHER ONE OF THE BIG POWERS TO
PUSHING THE BUTTON.' BY FIELD, HE QUITE DEFINITELY MEANS
THE EUROPEAN CONTINENT." THE IDEA OF A LIMITED NUCLEAR
WAR IS NO MORE THAN A VARIANT OF THE FIRST STRIKE
CONCEPT. HARTMAN
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1. SUMMARY: THE SOVIET MINISTRY OF DEFENSE HAS PUBLISHED A "SOVIET MILITARY POWER" IN REVERSE -- A BOOKLET ENTITLED "FROM WHENCE THE THREAT TO PEACE" WHICH DEALS WITH THE "DEVELOPMENT OF U.S. ARMED FORCES AND MILITARY INDUSTRIAL POTENTIAL." ALTHOUGH THE BOOKLET, LADEN WITH COLOR CHARTS, WAS SHOWN ON SOVIET TV EVENING NEWS JANUARY 13, THE SOVIETS HAVE NOT YET MADE IT AVAILABLE. THE BOOKLET'S MAIN CONCLUSION, JUDGING FROM A TASS REPORT, IS THAT THERE IS AN "APPROXIMATE PARITY" BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST, BETWEEN THE WARSAW PACT AND NATO IN STRATEGIC AND IN MEDIUM-RANGE NUCLEAR SYSTEMS, AND IN CONVENTIONAL ARMAMENTS. THE BOOKLET APPEARS TO CONTAIN A REITERATION OF SOVIET PROPAGANDA THEMES, A DISTORTED HISTORY OF U.S. DEFENSE AND FOREIGN POLICY IN THE POST-WAR ERA, AND A PRESENTATION OF "FACTS" ABOUT U.S. FORCE STRUCTURE. END SUMMARY.

2. A JANUARY 13 TASS REPORT ON THE BOOKLET STRESSES SEVERAL STANDARD PROPAGANDA THEMES:

- THE U.S. MAINTAINS THE LARGEST AND BEST TECHNICALLY-EQUIPPED ARMED FORCE AMONG THE CAPITALIST STATES TO ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS GLOBAL DESIGNS.
- IT IS THE U.S. WHICH HAS CREATED NEW SYSTEMS OF

- WEAPONS: ATOMIC BOMB IN THE 1940S, STRATEGIC BOMBER PROGRAM IN THE 1950S ON THE PRETEXT OF A BOMBER GAP, AND IN THE 1960S MASSIVE DEPLOYMENT OF LAND-BASED ICBMS FOLLOWING THE CLAMOR OVER THE ALLEGED MISSILE GAP, MIRVING AT THE TURN OF THE 1970S, AND LATER LONG-RANGE CRUISE MISSILES AND THE NEUTRON WEAPON.

- FAR FROM CREATING NEW TYPES OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, THE USSR HAS "ONLY REACTED TO THE THREATS" POSED BY THE WEST.

IN ADDITION TO THESE POINTS, THE BOOKLET TROTS OUT OTHER SHOPWORN PROPAGANDA LINES DEALING WITH "U.S. POSITIONS-OF-STRENGTH POLICY," U.S. EFFORTS TO ENSURE "MILITARY SUPERIORITY," AND U.S. "UNRESTRAINED MILITARY BUILDUP" WHICH CREATES A "REAL THREAT TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF PEOPLES."

3. A JANUARY 14 TASS REPORT STRESSES THE EXISTENCE OF "APPROXIMATE PARITY"-- OVERALL AND IN EACH CATEGORY OF FORCES: STRATEGIC, MEDIUM-RANGE NUCLEAR, CONVENTIONAL. TASS ASSERTS THAT IN THE SALT-2 NEGOTIATIONS SOVIET AND AMERICAN EXPERTS "VERIFIED" APPROXIMATE STRATEGIC PARITY IN DELIVERY SYSTEMS, 2,500 ON ONE SIDE, 2,300 ON THE OTHER. AFTER SALT-2 WAS SIGNED, HOWEVER, JIMMY CARTER AND THEN RONALD REAGAN DECLARED THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD LEFT THE U.S. FAR BEHIND IN STRATEGIC ARMS, THOUGH IT IS "UNTHINKABLE TO ATTAIN SUPERIORITY IN SUCH A BRIEF PERIOD OF TIME." APPARENTLY QUOTING THE BOOKLET, TASS SAYS THE AMERICAN RULERS HAVE "SET FOR THEMSELVES THE AIM OF CHANGING IN THEIR FAVOR THE CORRELATION OF FORCES IN THE WORLD ARENA AND OF ATTAINING MILITARY SUPPORT." HARTMAN BT

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1. SUMMARY: "WHENCE THE THREAT TO PEACE" -- THE USSR'S
RESPONSE TO "SOVIET MILITARY POWER" (SMP) -- IS
IMPRESSIVE PROPAGANDA. IT IS A SOPHISTICATED, GLOSSY
BOOKLET FULL OF DATA TAKEN LARGELY FROM WESTERN

SOURCES, PHOTOGRAPHS OF U.S. WEAPONS SYSTEMS, AND
CHARTS, INCLUDING COMPARATIVE DATA ON NATO-WP AND
U.S.-SOVIET CAPABILITIES. WTP ARGUES ITS MAIN
POINTS IN A SUPERFICIALLY APPEALING WAY:

- FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ATOMIC BOMB IN
- THE 1940S TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC
- CRUISE MISSILES AND THE NEUTRON WEAPON IN RECENT
- YEARS, TO THE NEW STRATEGIC FORCES MODERNIZATION
- PROGRAM, IT IS THE U.S. THAT HAS LED THE WAY IN
- THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW, MORE SOPHISTICATED
- WEAPONS;
- APPROXIMATE PARITY EXISTS AT EVERY LEVEL: BETWEEN
- NATO AND WARSAW PACT FORCES, U.S. AND SOVIET
- FORCES, U.S. AND SOVIET STRATEGIC FORCES, AND U.S.
- AND SOVIET GENERAL PURPOSES FORCES; AND
- AND SOVIET GENERAL PURPOSES FORCES; AND
- SMP PRESENTS A MISLEADING PICTURE BECAUSE IT
- CONTAINS NO COMPARATIVE DATA.

SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH CAREFUL ARGUMENTATION OF THESE POINTS,
HOWEVER, SMP ENGAGES IN STRIDENT PROPAGANDA. FOR
EXAMPLE, "THE MAIN IDEA OF U.S. MILITARY STRATEGIC
CONCEPTS CENTERS ON A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE AGAINST
THE USSR." WTP ALSO PRESENTS FAMILIAR SOVIET
ARGUMENTS ON ARMS CONTROL, INCLUDING THE USUAL CLAIMS
ON INF AND MBFR NUMBERS. AS WELL DONE AS WTP IS BY
THE STANDARDS OF SOVIET PROPAGANDA, ITS WILD CHARGES
AND DATA DISTORTIONS LEAVE IT VULNERABLE TO
CRITICISM. A GREAT VIRTUE OF SMP IS THAT
ITS DATA HAVE WITHSTOOD SCRUTINY. WTP WILL NOT
PASS THIS TEST. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING IS A PARAPHRASED SUMMARY OF THE FIRST TWO
SECTIONS OF WTP -- "INTRODUCTION," AND "THEY CALL THIS
OBJECTIVE." THESE SECTIONS CONTAIN THE BOOKLET'S MAIN
POINTS, AND MAKE COMPARISONS WITH SMP. SEPTELS ANALYZE
WTP AND SUMMARIZE ITS REMAINING SECTIONS.

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3. THE "RELAXATION OF TENSIONS" IN THE 1970S HAS GIVEN WAY AT THE TURN OF THE 1980S TO A "SHARP ABOUT-TURN IN THE POLICY OF THE U.S. AND A NUMBER OF OTHER NATO COUNTRIES." U.S. LEADERS DECLARE THAT NUCLEAR WAR IS THINKABLE, AND PROCLAIM FAR-AWAY SPHERES OF "VITAL INTEREST." THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION AND ITS "BELLICOSE" NATO PARTNERS HAVE SET OUT TO UPSET THE MILITARY-STRATEGIC EQUILIBRIUM, JUSTIFYING THIS BY FABRICATING THE MYTH OF A "SOVIET WAR THREAT."

4. A SPECIAL PLACE IN THE U.S. CAMPAIGN OF "FAR-FETCHED CONJECTURES" GOES TO SMP, THE PENTAGON PAMPHLET DESIGNED TO FRIGHTEN THE PUBLIC AND CONVINCE IT OF THE

NEED FOR A FURTHER BUILD-UP OF U.S. AND NATO MILITARY STRENGTH. THE PAMPHLET DESERVES SPECIAL MENTION ONLY BECAUSE IT REFLECTS TENDENCIES IN THE U.S. TO TORPEDO DETENTE, STOKED UP TENSIONS, AND TRIGGER AN UNBRIDLED ARMS RACE. SINCE THE U.S. PUBLISHED "TENDENTIOUSLY SELECTED AND DELIBERATELY DISTORTED INFORMATION" ABOUT THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES, IT IS NECESSARY TO SHOW THE OTHER SIDE SO THAT CONCLUSIONS CAN BE DRAWN ON THE BASIS OF COMPARATIVE DATA. THIS BOOK "EXAMINES THE PRESENT STATE AND ORIENTATION OF THE ARMED FORCES AND MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL" POTENTIAL OF THE U.S. AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE "U.S. WAR MACHINE" UPON WHICH THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION RELIES TO CONDUCT A POLICY "FROM POSITIONS OF STRENGTH" AND TO SECURE MILITARY SUPERIORITY.

"1. THEY CALL THIS OBJECTIVE" (8 PAGES)

5. SMP CONTAINS "NOT THE SLIGHTEST DATA" ON U.S. AND NATO FORCES. IF IT DID "EVERYONE WOULD EASILY HAVE SEEN THE ROUGH MILITARY PARITY OF THE SIDES, THE ABSENCE OF ANY 'THREAT TO WESTERN STRATEGIC INTERESTS,' AND THE NONEXISTENCE OF THE ALLEGED SOVIET 'CHALLENGE' TO THE WEST."

6. THE U.S. DEVELOPED THE ATOMIC BOMB AND USED IT IN 1945, BUILT AN ARMADA OF STRATEGIC BOMBERS IN THE 1950S ON THE EXCUSE OF HAVING FALLEN BEHIND IN BOMBERS, INITIATED A MASSIVE ICBM DEPLOYMENT IN THE 1960S BECAUSE OF A MISSILE GAP THAT HAD BEEN EXAGGERATED 15-TO-20 TIMES OVER, LAUNCHED A PROGRAM TO BUILD 41 SSBNs WHEN NO ONE ELSE HAD THEM, FITTED SLBMs WITH MRVs IN THE MID-60S,

ARMED STRATEGIC BALLISTIC MISSILES WITH MIRVs AT THE END OF THE 1960S AND BEGINNING OF THE 1970S, DEVELOPED THEREAFTER AT "CRASH RATES" STRATEGIC CRUISE MISSILES, AND IN 1981 THE U.S. PRESIDENT ORDERED THE FULL-SCALE MANUFACTURE OF THE NEUTRON WEAPON. "AS FOR THE SOVIET UNION IT INITIATED NO NEW TYPES OF WEAPONS THROUGHOUT POSTWAR HISTORY." IN OCTOBER 1981, THE U.S. PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIC ARMS BUILD-UP. "SO, BT

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7. SMP FAILS TO MENTION THAT THE U.S. HAS 10,000 NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN ITS "STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE FORCES" (1053 ICBMS, 648 SLBMS, MORE THAN 570 HEAVY BOMBERS, PLUS 65 MEDIUM BOMBERS). IN ADDITION IT HAS "THOUSANDS OF NUCLEAR-CAPABLE AIRCRAFT IN ITS FORWARD-BASED FORCES IN THE PROXIMITY OF SOVIET TERRITORY IN EUROPE, THE FAR EAST, AND THE INDIAN OCEAN. "IT SHOULD ALSO BE BORNE IN MIND" THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS CONFRONTED ALSO BY TWO OTHER WESTERN NUCLEAR POWERS, AND THAT "THE THREAT OF CHINA'S NUCLEAR FORCES IS, FOR THE TIME BEING, MORE SERIOUS FOR THE SOVIET UNION THAN FOR THE UNITED STATES."

8. THE "PENTAGON IS TRYING TO FRIGHTEN THE WORLD PUBLIC WITH THE GROWTH OF THE SOVIET NAVY AND ITS NOW GREATER CAPABILITY IN DISTANT REGIONS OF THE WORLD." BUT THE USSR HAS TWO "AIR-CAPABLE SHIPS" (KIEV, MINSK) WHILE THE U.S. HAS TWENTY; AND FOR ONE SOVIET NUCLEAR-POWERED CRUISER (KIROV), THE U.S. HAS NINE.

9. SMP SAYS THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS ADAPTED SOME OF ITS 203-MM AND 240-MM ARTILLERY SYSTEMS TO NUCLEAR SHELLS. "YET IT MAKES NO MENTION" OF THE 150-MM AND THE SELF-PROPELLED 203.2-MM NUCLEAR-CAPABLE HOWITZERS IN U.S. AND ALLIED ARSENALS.

10. "DELIBERATELY EXAGGERATED" FIGURES ARE CITED IN THE WEST ABOUT SOVIET MILITARY SPENDING. CONTRARY TO CLAIMS THAT IT IS CONTINUOUSLY RISING, SPENDING HAS BEEN "PRACTICALLY THE SAME OVER RECENT YEARS." THE RATE OF GROWTH IN 1978-80 OF THE U.S. MILITARY BUDGET, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL U.S. FIGURES, WAS "IN EXCESS OF 13, AND AS MUCH AS 19 IN 1981." STILL HIGHER SPENDING IS FORESEEN IN FUTURE YEARS.

11. SMP "DECLARES" THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS 135 MUNITIONS FACTORIES, BUT SAYS NOT A WORD ABOUT THE 146 USG-OPERATED PLANTS AND NEARLY 4,000 LARGE-SCALE PRIVATE ENTERPRISES. IN ONE OF ITS DIAGRAMS, SMP COMPARES THE "EXAGGERATED FLOOR SPACE OF THE NIZHNIY TAGIL RAILROAD CAR AND TANK PLANT WITH THE FLOOR SPACE OF THE BY NO MEANS LARGEST TWO AMERICAN TANK PLANTS." "WE NEED ONLY COMPARE THE NIZHNIY TAGIL PLANT WITH THE TANK COMPLEX IN DETROIT TO SEE WHAT KIND OF FACT JUGGLING THE PENTAGON ENGAGES IN." (SUPERIMPOSED ON THE SMP MAP OF DOWNTOWN WASHINGTON IS THE OUTLINE OF A "DETROIT INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX" HAVING AN AREA ROUGHLY TWICE THAT OF THE NIZHNIY TAGIL PLANT.)

12. SMP DOES NOT ADMIT THAT THE USSR HAS "MILITARY CONTINGENTS" IN THE TERRITORY OF ONLY SOME OF ITS EAST EUROPEAN ALLIES AND IN NEIGHBORING MONGOLIA AND IN AFGHANISTAN, "STRICTLY IN CONFORMANCE WITH TREATY PROVISIONS." AT THE SAME TIME, U.S. MILITARY UNITS ARE DEPLOYED IN "DOZENS OF COUNTRIES UP AND DOWN THE BT

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WORLD." "THERE ARE MORE THAN 1,500 U.S. MILITARY
INSTALLATIONS AND BASES OVERSEAS, CHIEFLY IN THE
PROXIMITY OF SOVIET BORDERS." U.S. "NUCLEAR-CAPABLE"
AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, SSBNS, AND SURFACE WARSHIPS ARE ON
CONTINUOUS PATROL NEAR THE SHORES OF EUROPE, THE FAR EAST,
AND IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. "THE MORE THAN 200,000-MAN
RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCES ARE READY TO BE MOVED MANY
THOUSANDS OF KILOMETERS FROM THE U.S."

13. THE USSR IS PORTRAYED AS THE BIGGEST EXPORTER
OF MILITARY HARDWARE, THOUGH THE U.S. ACCOUNTS FOR
NEARLY 45 OF THE WORLD'S ARMS TRADE, AND OTHER
NATO COUNTRIES FOR MORE THAN 20. LIKE OTHER WESTERN
PROPAGANDA, SMP CHARGES THE USSR WITH THE "FIB" OF

THE "EXPORT OF REVOLUTION." THE CPSU ACTS ON THE
CONVICTION THAT REVOLUTION CANNOT BE IMPOSED FROM
THE OUTSIDE. "CONVERSELY, NUMEROUS FACTS IN
HISTORY CONFIRM IMPERIALIST EXPORT OF COUNTERREVOLUTION."

14. "SOVIET MILITARY DOCTRINE, TOO, IS PRESENTED IN
A DISTORTED LIGHT." REFERRING TO "NON-EXISTENT 'SOVIET
PUBLICATIONS' AND 'STATEMENTS OF SOVIET LEADERS,'" SMP
AND CERTAIN U.S. LEADERS ALLEGE THAT SOVIET MILITARY
DOCTRINE IS AGGRESSIVE, AND THAT THE USSR "COUNTS ON
WINNING A NUCLEAR WAR BY MEANS OF A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE."
THESE ALLEGATIONS ARE "ENTIRELY GROUNDLESS." "NONE OF
THE SOVIET PARTY LEADERS OR STATESMEN HAS EVER STATED,
NOR COULD HAVE STATED, ANYTHING OF THE SORT. THE VERY
OPPOSITE IS TRUE. SOVIET MILITARY DOCTRINE IS OF A
STRICTLY DEFENSIVE NATURE." THE SOVIET UNION WILL NOT
BE THE FIRST TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS. CONVERSELY, THE
U.S. IS DEVELOPING "MILITARY-STRATEGIC CONCEPTS OF AN
UNDISGUISEDLY AGGRESSIVE NATURE." THEIR "MAIN IDEA
INVARIABLY CENTERS ON UNRESTRICTED USE OF THE U.S.
STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE FORCES IN A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE
AGAINST THE USSR." OF LATE THE U.S. HAS BEEN "PEDDLING
THE IDEA OF A SO-CALLED LIMITED NUCLEAR WAR." "PRESIDENT
REAGAN SAID IN OCTOBER 1981: 'IT COULD BE WHERE YOU HAVE
THE EXCHANGE OF TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE FIELD
WITHOUT IT BRINGING EITHER ONE OF THE BIG POWERS TO
PUSHING THE BUTTON.' BY FIELD, HE QUITE DEFINITELY MEANS
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- "THE U.S. WAR MACHINE"

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1. SUMMARY: "WHENCE THE THREAT TO PEACE" RELIES ALMOST TOTALLY ON WESTERN SOURCING FOR DATA TO DESCRIBE U.S. STRATEGIC AND GENERAL PURPOSES FORCES, AND ON THE STRUCTURE OF U.S. MILITARY BASING OVERSEAS. THIS DESCRIPTION IS THE PART OF WTP MOST AKIN TO THE PRESENTATION IN "SOVIET MILITARY POWER." WTP SHARPLY DISTORTS THE PURPOSES OF U.S. MILITARY POWER AND OVERSEAS BASING. FOR EXAMPLE, WTP ASSOCIATES U.S. LARGE-SCALE BASING OVERSEAS WITH U.S. "AGGRESSIVE DESIGNS." HENCE, "FOUR OUT OF THE FIVE UNIFIED COMMANDS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE THE U.S." IN PRESENTING DATA ON THE U.S. FORCE STRUCTURE, WTP STRESSES THREE U.S. CAPABILITIES: A) TO CONDUCT "STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE NUCLEAR" OPERATIONS; B) TO STRIKE AT THE USSR AND WARSAW PACT STATES FROM WESTERN EUROPE, PARTICULARLY THE FRG AND TURKEY; AND C) TO DEPLOY FORCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, PERSIAN GULF, AND INDIAN OCEAN REGION. U.S. FORCES IN THE PACIFIC THEATER ARE GIVEN MINIMAL ATTENTION. END SUMMARY.

2. IN A 50-PAGE SECTION ENTITLED, "THE U.S. WAR MACHINE," WTP OUTLINES:

- A) THE PURPOSE AND NATURE OF U.S. STRATEGIC AND GENERAL PURPOSE FORCES, AND THE STRUCTURE OF U.S. OVERSEAS MILITARY BASING;
- B) THE PROGRAMS THE U.S. IS UNDERTAKING IN ITS "BID FOR SUPERIORITY;"
- C) THE "INDUSTRIAL BASE OF U.S. MILITARISM;" AND
- D) U.S. "WAR STRATEGY."

THE FOLLOWING IS A PARAPHRASED SUMMARY OF SUBSECTION A), THE PART OF WTP WHICH IS MOST AKIN TO THE PRESENTATION IN "SOVIET MILITARY POWER." THE DATA IN THIS SUBSECTION APPEAR TO COME FROM WESTERN SOURCING.

"II. THE U.S. WAR MACHINE"

3. "TO IMPLEMENT ITS GLOBAL AGGRESSIVE DESIGNS, THE U.S. MAINTAINS THE LARGEST AND TECHNICALLY BEST EQUIPPED ARMED FORCES IN THE CAPITALIST WORLD. IN STRENGTH AND ARMAMENTS BT

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THEY SURPASS THE COMBINED ARMED FORCES OF GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE, THE FRG, AND ITALY. THE TOTAL STRENGTH OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES IS CLOSE TO THREE MILLION SERVICEMEN, AND ONE MILLION CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES." TO "PREPARE AND FIGHT ITS AGGRESSIVE WARS" OVERSEAS, THE MANPOWER AND EQUIPMENT OF FOUR OUT OF THE FIVE UNIFIED COMMANDS ARE DEPLOYED OUTSIDE THE U.S.

"STRATEGIC FORCES"

4. THE "BACKBONE" OF U.S. MILITARY POWER IS THE TRIAD OF "STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE FORCES." IN ONE LAUNCH LAND-BASED ICBMS CAN LIFT 2,153 NUCLEAR WARHEADS, EACH OF 170-KILOTON-TO-10-MEGATON YIELD. THE U.S. CONSIDERS THESE TO BE THE "MEANS OF DELIVERING A PREEMPTIVE NUCLEAR STRIKE." SSBNS -- TRIDENT I (216 LAUNCHERS) POSEIDON C-3 (304 LAUNCHERS), AND POLARIS A-3 (128 LAUNCHERS) -- CARRY OVER 50 PERCENT OF THE "NUCLEAR FORCE LOAD." THE 346 B-52 HEAVY BOMBERS AND 65 FB-111A MEDIUM BOMBERS DELIVER NUCLEAR STRIKES AND ARE USED IN PEACETIME TO DEMONSTRATE FORCE. "FOR THIS PURPOSE, B-52 BOMBERS ENGAGE IN REGULAR FLIGHTS, INCLUDING FLIGHTS WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON BOARD, TO REGIONS OF U.S. 'VITAL INTERESTS' -- THE MIDDLE EAST, WESTERN EUROPE, AUSTRALIA, AND ELSEWHERE."

"GENERAL PURPOSE FORCES"

5. U.S. GENERAL PURPOSE FORCES ARE THE "CHIEF COMPONENT OF U.S. ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS." THEY ARE INTENDED FOR INDEPENDENT OR JOINT ALLIED OPERATIONS, FOR "SHOW OF FORCE," FOR USE IN CRISIS SITUATIONS, AND FOR "ARMED SUPPORT OF REACTIONARY REGIMES AND SUPPRESSION OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT." ARMED WITH NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS, THE GENERAL PURPOSE FORCES HAVE "GREAT SHOCK AND FIRE POWER, AND MOBILITY."

6. U.S. GENERAL PURPOSE FORCES COMPRISE GROUND TROOPS (INCLUDING SOME 200 TACTICAL MISSILE LAUNCHERS, 11,400 TANKS, 12,000 FIELD GUNS AND MORTARS, 16,600 ATGMS, AND SOME 8,600 ARMY PLANES), THE TACTICAL AIR FORCE (MORE THAN 8,700 AIRCRAFT), AND THE NAVY LESS SSBNS (848 WARSHIPS INCLUDING RESERVES, OF WHICH 386 ARE MAJOR

WARSHIPS, AND OVER 5,000 PLANES AND HELICOPTERS).

7. IN LINE WITH THE "FORWARD BASE" CONCEPT, "THE MAIN GENERAL PURPOSE GROUPINGS ARE, ALREADY IN PEACETIME, DEPLOYED AND MAINTAINED OUTSIDE U.S. TERRITORY." THE MOST POWERFUL OVERSEAS GROUP IS IN EUROPE, INCLUDING: 336,200 MEN, 660 USAF COMBAT AIRCRAFT, OF WHICH "TWO-THIRDS ARE NUCLEAR CAPABLE." ALONG WITH THE FRG ARMY, IT IS "THE MAIN STRIKE FORCE OF THE ALLIED NATO ARMED FORCES SPEARHEADED AGAINST THE KUSSR." MORE THAN 7,000 WARHEADS ARE LOCATED IN WESTERN EUROPE, AND IN ADDITION "USCINCEUR HAS AT BT

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HIS DISPOSAL A FEW HUNDRED POSEIDON C-3 STRATEGIC
MISSILE NUCLEAR WARHEADS."

8. THE GENERAL PURPOSE GROUP SECOND IN IMPORTANCE
IS DEPLOYED IN THE PACIFIC: 465,000 MEN, 140
WARSHIPS, AND OVER 1,100 COMBAT AIRCRAFT. A "LARGE"
U.S. NAVAL FORCE IS DEPLOYED IN THE INDIAN OCEAN:
TWO CARRIER TASK FORCES, AND UP TO 180 COMBAT AIRCRAFT,

INCLUDING 80 NUCLEAR-CAPABLE ATTACK PLANES.
"REINFORCEMENT OF THIS GROUP IS PLANNED CHIEFLY THROUGH
SHIPMENT OF THE INTERVENTIONIST RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCES
TO THE MIDDLE EAST REGION." SEVEN DEPOT SHIPS WITH
HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR A MARINE BRIGADE ARE BERTHED AT
DIEGO GARCIA. THE RDF CONSISTS OF 200,000 REGULARS AND
100,000 RESERVES. THE REGULAR ARMY, AIR FORCE AND
NAVY HAVE ASSIGNED TO THE RDF FOUR DIVISIONS, SEVERAL
SEPARATE BRIGADES, FIVE TACTICAL AIR WINGS, 28 STRATEGIC
BOMBERS, AWACS, TWO-OR-THREE CARRIER TASK FORCES, THREE
EXPEDITIONARY MARINE BRIGADES, AND A NAVY AIR WING.

9. TO ENSURE THE "WORLD LEADERSHIP" CLAIMS OF SECDEF
WEINBERGER, "THE U.S. DEVOTES SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE
DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC MOBILITY FORCES ENSURING
MOVEMENT OF TROOPS FROM ITS CONTINENTAL PART TO ANY
REGION OF THE GLOBE THAT IT MAY DECLARE A SPHERE OF
ITS 'VITAL INTERESTS.'" THE USAF MILITARY AIRLIFT
COMMAND HAS 1,000 PLANES AND HELICOPTERS; 400 PLANES
ARE IN CRAF, AND 750 SHIPS IN THE NATIONAL DEFENSE
RESERVE FLEET.

"RAMIFIED NETWORK OF MILITARY BASES"

10. "THE UNITED STATES HAS SET UP A FAR-FLUNG NETWORK
OF MILITARY BASES AND INSTALLATIONS IN ALL STRATEGICALLY
IMPORTANT REGIONS OF THE WORLD TO FURTHER ITS EXPANSIONIST
GLOBAL POLICY AND ENSURE THE CONTINUOUS PRESENCE, AND
EMERGENCY REINFORCEMENT, OF LARGE U.S. ARMED FORCES IN
OVERSEAS THEATERS, AND FOR ADVANCE PREPARATIONS FOR
ACTION, PRIMARILY AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION AND THE OTHER
COUNTRIES OF THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY."

11. "MILITARY BASES IN THE TERRITORY OF OTHER STATES

ARE BEING USED BY THE UNITED STATES TO EXERT DIRECT
PRESSURE ON THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED, KEEPING THEM
WITHIN THE MAINSTREAM OF U.S. POLICY, TO THREATEN
PROGRESSIVE AND ASSIST REACTIONARY REGIMES IN THE
REGION, AND TO SUPPRESS NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS
BY ARMED FORCE."

12. AT PRESENT THE U.S. HAS MORE THAN 1,500 MILITARY
BASES AND INSTALLATIONS IN THE TERRITORY OF 32 COUNTRIES.
MORE THAN HALF-A-MILLION U.S. SERVICEMEN ARE STATIONED
THERE PERMANENTLY. THE "GREATER NUMBER" OF U.S. BASES
ARE LOCATED IN THE IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY OF THE USSR AND
OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, FIRST OF ALL IN WESTERN
EUROPE. IN THE FRG ALONE, "WHOSE TERRITORY THE PENTAGON
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REGARDS AS A SPRINGBOARD AGAINST THE WARSAW TREATY COUNTRIES," ARE 200 LARGE-SCALE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS. IN TURKEY THERE ARE SOMETHING LIKE 60 INSTALLATIONS, INCLUDING SEVEN LARGE-SCALE BASES. THE PENTAGON VIEWS TURKEY AS A STAGING AREA FOR OPERATIONS AGAINST THE USSR, AND AS A TRANSIT BASE FOR RDF MOVEMENTS TO THE MIDDLE EAST. IN THE FAR EAST THE U.S. HAS MORE THAN 300 INSTALLATIONS.

13. THE U.S. IS "URGENTLY BUILDING A WEB OF MILITARY BASES" IN THE MIDDLE EAST. A MULTIPURPOSE BASE IS BEING BUILT AT "CRASH RATES" ON DIEGO GARCIA. "AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED WITH OMAN, SOMALIA AND KENYA GRANTING U.S. ARMED FORCES THE USE OF MILITARY BASES THERE, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR MODERNIZATION. NEW MILITARY BASES ARE TO BE BUILT, TOO, UNDER THESE AGREEMENTS." U.S. ARMED FORCES ARE ALREADY USING BASES AND AIRFIELDS IN SAUDI ARABIA, EGYPT, AND IN A NUMBER OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THE "STRATEGIC COOPERATION" AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL HAS GRANTED THE U.S. "UNRESTRICTED USE OF MILITARY BASES IN THAT COUNTRY." AND IN SOUTH ASIA, THE U.S. "HAS, IN EFFECT, SECURED ACCESS TO MILITARY BASES IN PAKISTAN."

14. "SOME 25 MILITARY INSTALLATIONS ARE BEING USED BY THE AMERICANS ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT (IN SOUTH AFRICA, LIBERIA, AND MOROCCO) AND ON OFF-SHORE ISLANDS." THE U.S. "UNLAWFULLY PERSISTS IN OCCUPYING THE TERRITORY OF THE GUANTANAMO NAVAL BASE IN CUBA," WHICH IS NOW "ONE OF THE CHIEF STAGING AREAS FOR AGGRESSION AGAINST SOCIALIST CUBA AND THE PROGRESSIVE STATES IN CENTRAL AMERICA."

15. IN THE IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY OF THE USSR AND OTHER SOCIALIST STATES, THE U.S. HAS INSTALLED MORE THAN 50 ELECTRONIC INTELLIGENCE CENTERS AND POSTS.
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