Presidential Directive/NSC-57

TO: The Vice President
The Secretary of State
The Secretary of the Treasury
The Secretary of Defense
The Attorney General
The Secretary of Interior
The Secretary of Agriculture
The Secretary of Commerce
The Secretary of Labor
The Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare
The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
The Secretary of Transportation
The Secretary of Energy

The Director, Office of Management and Budget
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Director of Central Intelligence
The Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy
The Administrator of General Services
The Postmaster General
The Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
The Director, Selective Service System
The Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency

SUBJECT: Mobilization Planning (U)

I. Policy. It is of fundamental importance to the national security that the United States maintain the capability to mobilize its national resources in a timely and efficient manner in order to respond effectively to crises that might arise. (U)

Such maintenance requires consistency and coordination within the United States government in all civilian and military mobilization planning activities. Accordingly, the President directs: (1) that the broadly-defined crisis scenarios, emergency actions and preparedness activities developed in the NSC Mobilization Study are to serve as the principal basis for future US civilian and military mobilization planning; and (2) that all such future planning is to be fully coordinated among all interested Federal agencies. (U)

II. Implementation. The Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will ensure that all existing and pending Executive Orders pertaining to mobilization are made consistent with this directive. (U)

Implementation plans for each emergency action identified in the NSC Mobilization Study will be developed by the designated responsible and coordinating agencies based on the funds, personnel and other physical resources expected to be available in FY 1980. The implementation plans should be based on the NSC Mobilization Study crisis scenarios, but should also be sufficiently flexible to facilitate their use over a wider range of scenarios where possible. The Director of FEMA will
arbitrate among the responsible and coordinating agencies wherever necessary to eliminate overlap among individual implementation plans, to conserve resources, and to resolve any jurisdictional conflicts.

The Director of FEMA will combine the completed individual implementation plans into a Federal Master Mobilization Plan and ensure that necessary standby legislation is drafted and execution procedures are promulgated to facilitate use of the plan during crises. The initial Master Plan should be provided to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs for NSC review by June 1, 1980. (U)

The following tasks are to be added to the NSC Mobilization Study charter:

-- adjust the crisis scenarios, emergency actions, and preparedness activities as necessary during development of the Master Plan to ensure their continued relevance and appropriateness; and seek ways to improve the mobilization planning and implementation processes. (U)

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