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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HILL

SUBJECT: ASAT Treaty

Secretary Vance wrote a memo to the President strongly advocating an ASAT treaty be implemented, including prohibition of [redacted] testing. The memo was sent to Admiral Turner (for coordination?) who assigned Ray McKinley of OWI to draft a commentary to say:

- a. "We have no plans to implement [redacted] collection system."
- b. "Schedule and cost estimates to build one are _____."

Mr. McKinley drafted a reply to be sent to Secretary Vance over Admiral Turner's signature which said:

a. "Program B₁ has proposed a system to collect [redacted] but it is neither approved or funded."

b. "If a decision were made to fund the project, no [redacted] testing would be required before the expiration of the ban period in [redacted]"

c. "System IOC could be accomplished if [redacted] depending upon which satellite(s) is (are) used [redacted]"

d. "Total cost for the program is estimated at [redacted]"

This reply was coordinated by phone with the staff.

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