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## MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL Tuesday, July 1, 1986 Room 208 OEOB 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

### STATUS OF THE SDI PROGRAM

#### PROPOSED TALKING POINTS FOR ADMIRAL POINDEXTER

Agenda Item I: Introduction (2-3 minutes)

--Today's subject is the President's Strategic Defense Initiative.

--This program is vital to U.S. and Allied security and its importance will continue to grow as the progress we are to discuss today continues.

--All who are at this meeting can be of great help in supporting this program in public and with Congress, and that help is needed. Therefore, the President felt that it would be a good time to gather this group so that we can review progress which has been made and go over next steps.

--Our agenda calls for a program update by General Abrahamson, including a description of a particularly critical upcoming experiment. This is known as Vector Sum and has been classified Top Secret. We have had a potential problem with Senator Gore on this one. General Abrahamson and Paul Nitze have talked it over with him, and hopefully it is now clear to the Senator that the experiment is indeed not only fully compliant with the ABM Treaty, but with any interpretation of it. Paul and Abe may wish to comment on this later.

--We will then have a chance for questions and discussion, and the President wishes to make some closing remarks.

Agenda Item II: Status of the SDI Program (30 minutes)

--To get us started in our update, Secretary Weinberger, would you like to introduce the briefing for us?

(After a short introduction by SecDef, we should go directly to the SDI program briefing by General Abrahamson.)

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## Agenda Item III: Non-programmatic Issues

--Abe, you may wish to give us a brief readout now on your talk with Gore. Is he satisfied now on the Treaty point?

--Paul (Nitze), would you like to add anything to this?

--Secretary Shultz, do you have any observations about the program or this experiment?

(If the question of when we come up against the restrictive interpretation of the ABM Treaty is raised, you may wish to note that OSD has this issue under study and reassure the group that appropriate senior level officials will get a chance to review the results as soon as they are available. In the meantime, no actions will be taken on this issue.)

#### Agenda Item IV: Discussion

--We are now open to general discussion.

#### Agenda Item V: Summary

--The SDI has already made tremendous strides in increasing our understanding of how to counter ballistic missiles, while adhering closely to the ABM Treaty.

--I know General Abrahamson appreciates the opportunity to keep you all informed of the range of activities he is undertaking, and particularly those experiments which may be significant milestones on the path toward achieving effective strategic defenses.

--Unfortunately the threat to achieving our objectives is now more political than scientific. I believe the President has some thoughts on this problem. Mr. President? From: NSSES --CPUA To: NSREL --CPUA

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED NOTE FROM: Steven Steiner SUBJECT: SDI Briefing for NSC meeting Here are some key points that will likely be raised tomorrow: Vector Sum:

-- VS experiement may be ready for Sept. It is sitting on a Delta, but they may want to make further corrections to the Delta first.We will need to use both Deltas and Titans on SDI missions as soon as they fly again -- without prior testing. (Abe did yield on a Titan to accomodate Indonesian Palapa.)

-- Tom Graham said we are absolutely comfortable on treaty questions re VS: a) testing vs. an orbiting vehicle is not in an ABM mode, ie. not same as testing against strategic BM or its elements; b) our interceptor does not have ABM capabilities -- carefully programmed to avoid this.

-- On Gore, can't be sure he is convinced, but Abe feels that Gore at least knows now any criticism may be on a weak limb, even re narrow interpret.

-- On direction of SDI: Cap is very concerned that we show we are seeking TOTAL defenses and thus insisted that Abe give the press conference last week on release of uncl. version of Report. Cap will likely stress this tomorrow. He is concerned that talk here of point defense could play into Soviet hands.

-- FLAG was successful Friday -- hit a MOVING target this time. Cap wants press conf. to announce this later tomorrow; may do so himself. Will use this too to show goal is not just terminal defense, and to emphasize that this is low cost technology. (Abe referred twice to cost effectiveness as a criterion.)

-- Abe talked of maybe inviting some Allies to participate in ATBM related testing, and to bring their candidates for testing -- eg a system he says MBB and Thomson are working on. Abe sees such work as politically important, in that we can go operational relatively soon without treaty problems.

-- Briefing will go by phases, starting with BOOST. Cap will put big emphasis here, to show we want total defense. Abe will run thru items such as: FEL, ERIS, decoys, AOA, battle management/NTB, and Terminal Imaging Radar.

-- Abe will show green band in charts to show when we can make system development decisions in each area, toward full national decision in early 1990s. Cap will likely emphasize that new Soviet definitions will cut into our research right away, even this year, partic. in stopping any space-based experiments. This will be the red band in charts.

-- Abe will conclude on funding. He didn't seem to be planning this, but Ken and I encouraged him to show how levels being considered now willhurt the program.

Finally, he said SDIO is now drafting a proposed public affairs plan on VS.

cc: NSWT --CPUA

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MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL DATE: July 1, 1986 LOCATION: Room 208 OEOB TIME: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

FROM: JOHN M. POINDEXTER

I. PURPOSE

To review the progress that has been made in the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) research program and to discuss other issues related to SDI.

II. BACKGROUND

With the difficult budget discussions continuing on SDI, it is essential that you and your senior advisors have a full understanding of the progress that is being made in this critical program. There also are some significant program milestones ahead that merit discussion, most importantly the Vector Sum experiment tentatively planned for September. The meeting agenda is at <u>Tab A</u>.

III. PARTICIPANTS

List of participants is at Tab B.

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None.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

I will introduce the subject. General Abrahamson will give a program update, and I will then lead a discussion of arms control and other non-programmatic issues. No specific decisions are being requested, but we want to ensure that all pertinent Cabinet level officials are familiar with the progress we have made and are comfortable with the steps ahead. We recommend that following my summary, you close the meeting by emphasizing your commitment to the program and the importance of obtaining Congressional support for fullest possible SDI funding levels. Proposed remarks are at Tab C.

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cc Vice President Don Regan

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I. Introduction

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# SDI

## Agenda

II. Program Update Lt. Gen. Abrahamson (20 minutes) III. Introduction of Arms John M. Poindexter Control and other Non-(10 minutes) Programmatic Issues Related to SDI IV. Discussion All participants (20 minutes) v. John M. Poindexter Summary (2-3 minutes)

VI. Closing Remarks

The President

John M. Poindexter (2-3 minutes)

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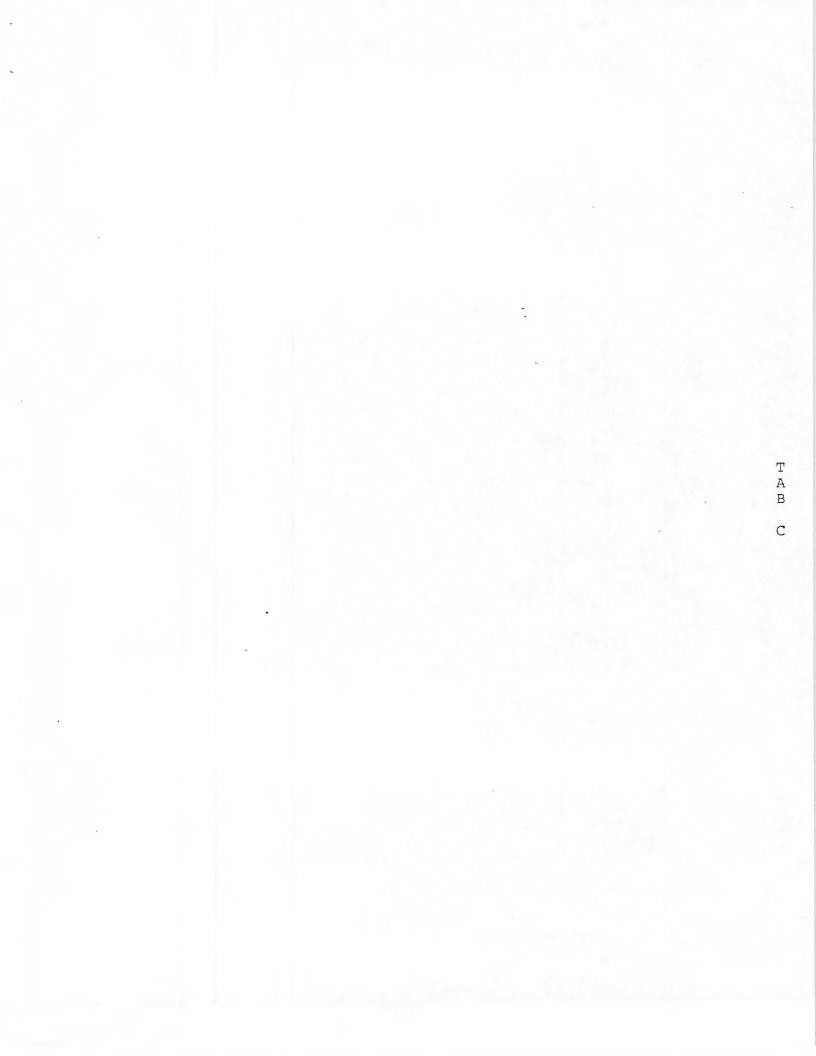
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The President The Vice President The Secretary of State The Secretary of the Treasury The Secretary of Defense The Attorney General The Secretary of Energy The Director, Office of Management and Budget The Director of Central Intelligence Chief of Staff to the President Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Director, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency The Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control Matters Paul Nitze Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control Matters Edward Rowny The Director, Strategic Defense Initiative Organization Lt. Gen. James A. Abrahamson (Briefer) Dr. Richard G. Johnson, Acting Science Advisor to the President and Acting Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy Dr. William R. Graham, Director (Designate), Office of Science and Technology Policy Colonel Robert Linhard (NSC Staff) Steven Steiner (NSC Staff) William Tobey (NSC Staff)



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That you approve the Presidential Meeting Memorandum at Tab I.

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Sven Kraemer concurs.

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SUBJECT: NSC Meeting on SDI, Tuesday, July 1, 1986

The NSC Meeting on the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) will be held in Room 208 OEOB on Tuesday, July 1, 1986, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The agenda is at Tab A.(2)

Rodney B. McDaniel Executive Secretary

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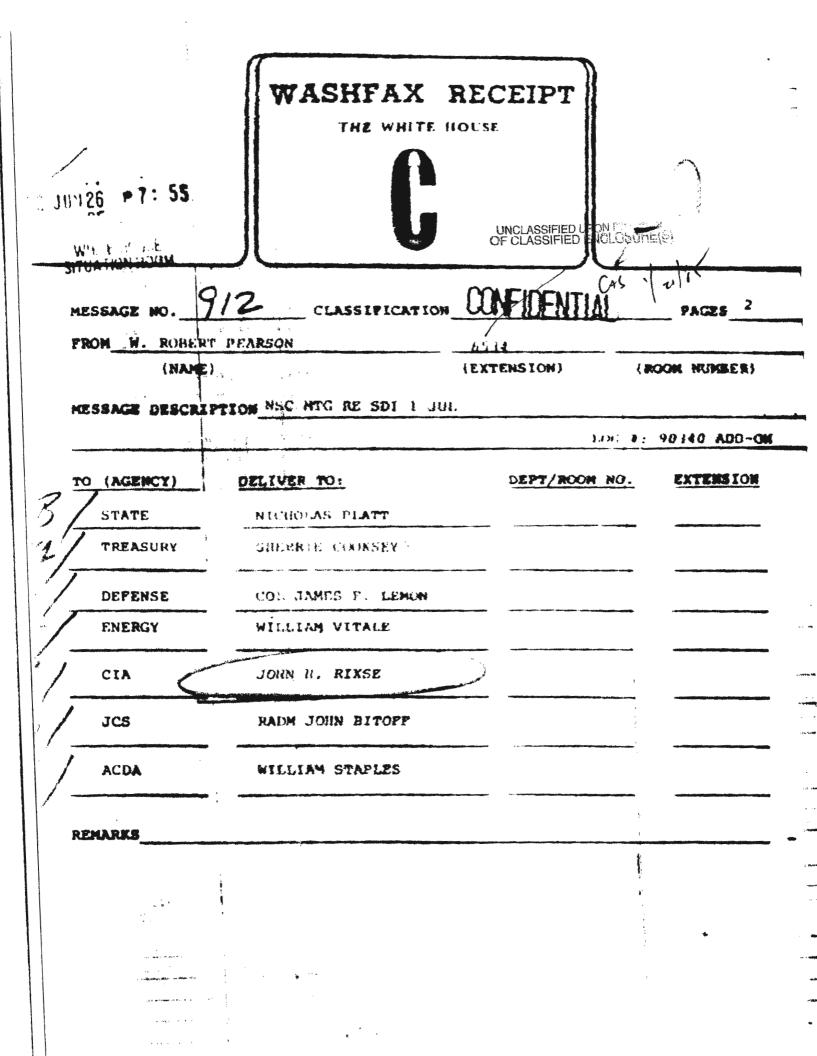
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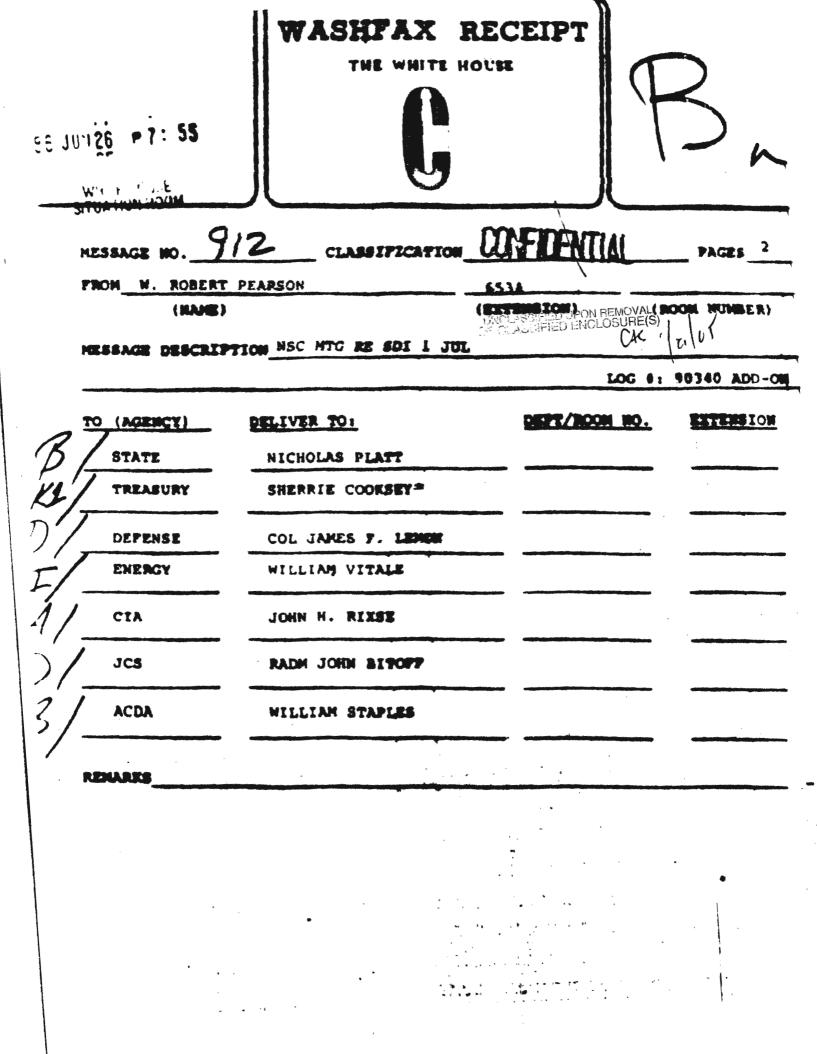
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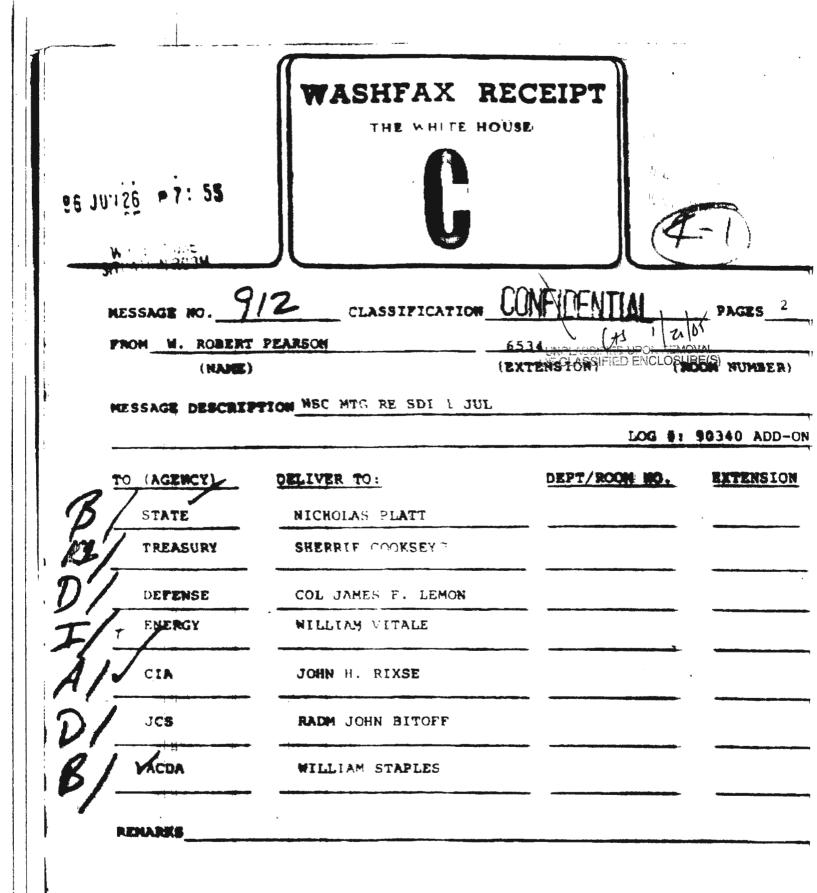
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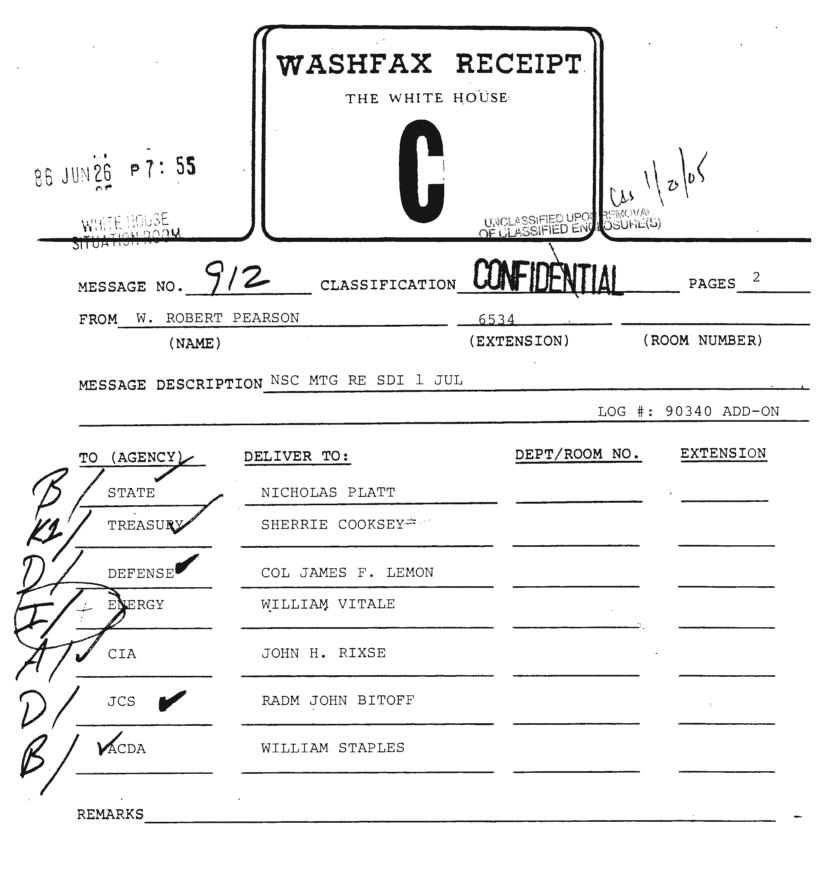
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SUBJECT:

NSC Meeting on SDI, Friday, June 6, 1986(g)

An NSC meeting on the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) will be held in the Cabinet Room on Friday, June 6, 1986, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The agenda will consist of a program update by General Abrahamson and a discussion of arms control and other non-programmatic issues, led by the National Security Advisor.(C)

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MEMORANDUM FOR RODNEY B. MCDANIEL

FROM: STEVE STEINER

SUBJECT: NSC Meeting on SDI

Per your request, at Tab I for your signature is a memo to your counterparts announcing the NSC meeting on SDI for Friday, June 6.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo at Tab I.

Approve Bob Lindard concurs.

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Tab I Memo to Counterparts

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MEMORANDUM FOR RODNEY B. MCDANIEL

FROM: CAROL CLEVELAND Carol

SUBJECT: National Security Council Meeting, July 1, 1986 (X)

The following officials plan to attend the National Security Council Meeting on the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) on July 1, 1986, at 11:00 a.m.  $(\mathbb{Q})$ 

The Vice President's Office: Mr. Donald Gregg

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State: Secretary George P. Shultz

Treasury: Secretary James A. Baker, III

Defense: Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger Dr. Fred C. Ikle Lt General James A. Abrahamson Lt General John F. Wall

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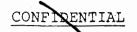
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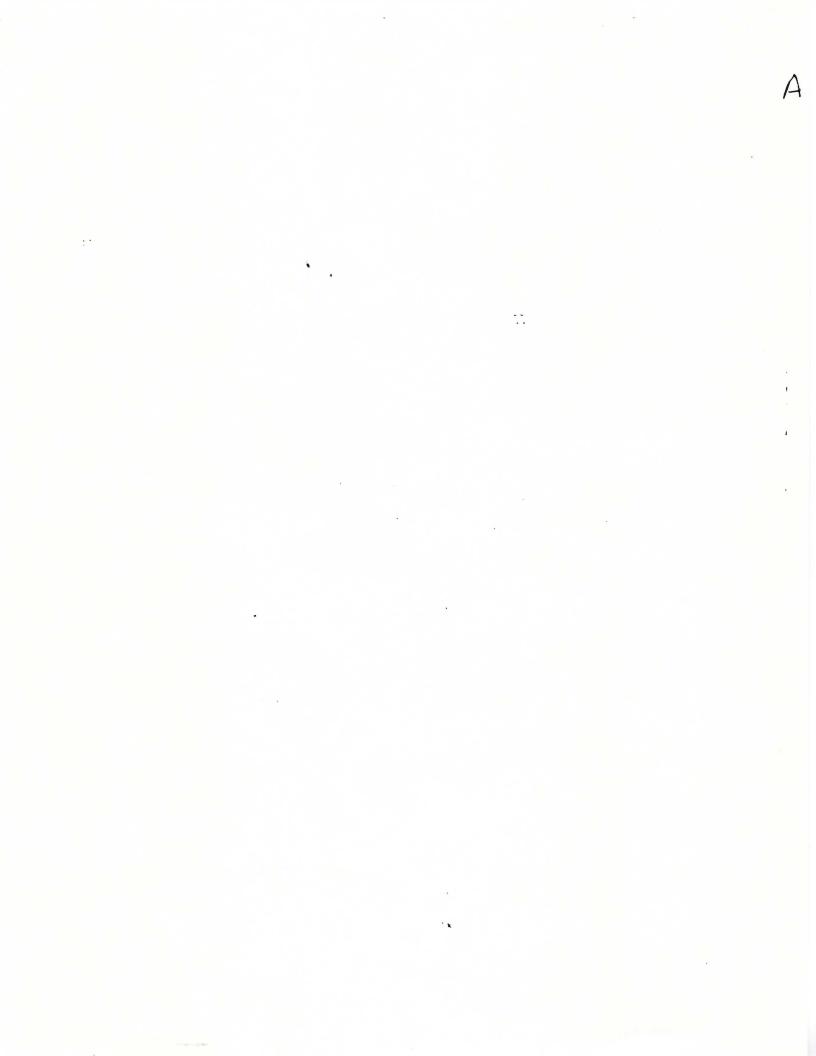
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, July 1, 1986 Room 208 OEOB 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

### SDI

#### Agenda

- I. Introduction
- II. Program Update

- John M. Poindexter (5 minutes)
- LGen Abrahamson (20 minutes)
- John M. Poindexter (10 minutes)
- All participants (20 minutes)
- John M. Poindexter (5 minutes)

- III. Introduction of Arms Control and other Non-Programmatic Issues Related to SDI
- IV. Discussion
- V. Wrap-up

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MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL DATE: July 1, 1986 LOCATION: Room 208 OEOB TIME: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

FROM: JOHN M. POINDEXTER

I. PURPOSE

To review the progress that has been made in the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) research program and to discuss other issues related to SDI.

II. BACKGROUND

With the difficult budget discussions continuing on SDI, it is essential that you and your senior advisors have a full understanding of the progress that is being made in this critical program. There also are some significant program milestones ahead that merit discussion, most importantly the Vector Sum experiment tentatively planned for September. The meeting agenda is at Tab A.

III. PARTICIPANTS

List of participants is at Tab B.

IV. PRESS PLAN

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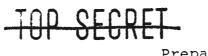
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I will introduce the subject. General Abrahamson will give a program update, and I will then lead a discussion of arms control and other non-programmatic issues. No specific decisions are being requested, but we want to ensure that all pertinent Cabinet level officials are familiar with the progress we have made and are comfortable with the steps ahead. We recommend that following my summary, you close the meeting by emphasizing your commitment to the program and the importance of obtaining Congressional support for fullest possible SDI funding levels. Proposed remarks are at Tab C.

> cc Vice President Don Regan

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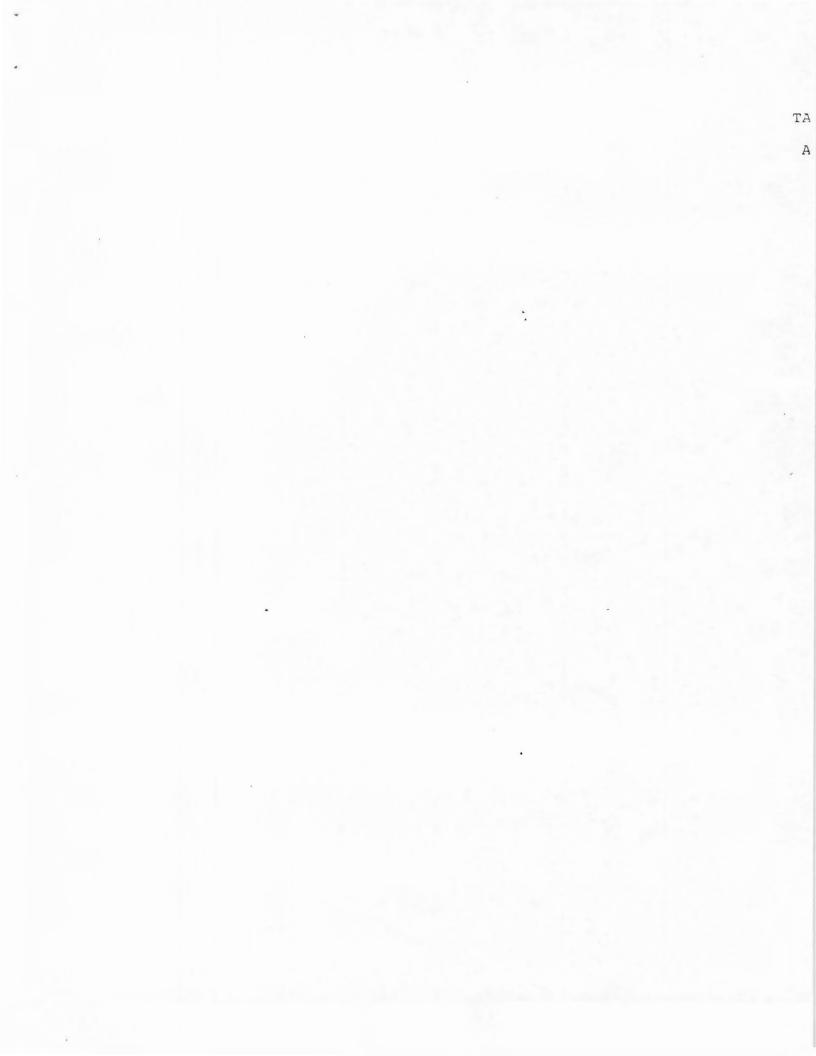


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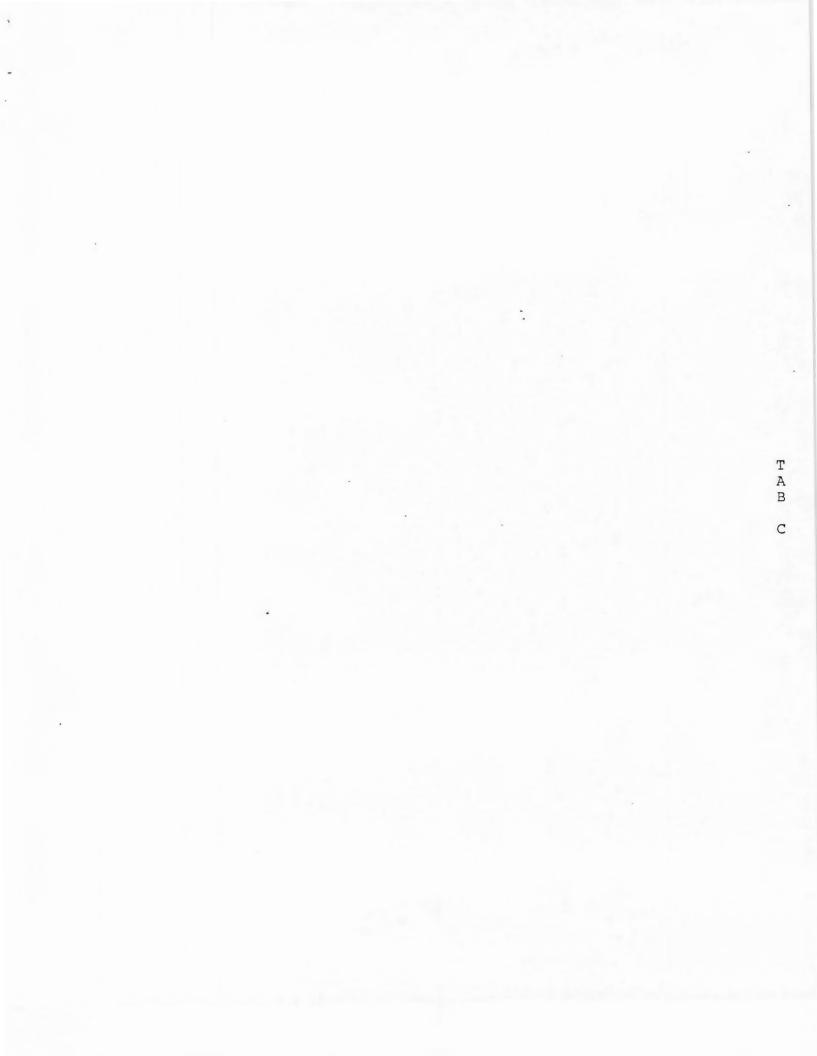
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MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

SUBJECT: NSC Meeting on SDI--Minutes

At Tab I are the Minutes from the July 1, 1986 National Security Council Meeting on SDI for your approval.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the Minutes at Tab I.

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Bob Linhard concurs.

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Tab I Minutes of NSC Meeting

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SUBJECT: Program Briefing on SDI (Q)

PARTICIPANTS:

The President

The Vice President's Office: Mr. Craig L. Fuller

State: Secretary George P. Shultz

Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control Matters Paul Nitze

Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control Matters Edward Rowny

Assistant Secretary for Politico-Military Affairs H. Allen Holmes

Treasury: Secretary James A. Baker, III

Defense: Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger

The Director, Strategic Defense Initiative Organization Lt. Gen. James A. Abrahamson

Lt. Gen. John F. Wall, Commander, U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command

Justice: Attorney General Edwin Meese, III

Energy: Secretary John S. Herrington

Assistant Secretary, Defense Programs, Admiral S.R. Foley, Jr.

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- Acting Associate Director National Security and International Affairs Philip A. DuSault
- CIA: Director William J. Casey

National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs Lawrence K. Gershwin

USUN: Ambassador Vernon A. Walters

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NSC:

Mr. Rodney B. McDaniel Colonel Robert E. Linhard Mr. Steven E. Steiner Mr. William Tobey

#### MINUTES

Admiral Poindexter began the meeting, noting the importance of a program update for participants in view of progress to date, the vital nature of the program, and the need for support from Congress. He continued that the upcoming Vector Sum experiment (classified Top Secret) may draw allegations, albeit incorrect, that it is contrary to the restrictive interpretation of the ABM Treaty. Senator Gore had already expressed such concerns, but apparently had been reassured by a discussion with General Abrahamson and Ambassador Nitze. (PS)

Secretary Weinberger introduced the briefing and noted the importance of boost phase intercept, saying that those who favor exclusively terminal defense only want to kill the SDI program by eliminating its potential to protect people. ( $\mathcal{C}$ )

<u>General Abrahamson</u> delivered a program briefing describing progress in technologies applicable to boost, mid-course, and terminal phases of ballistic missile defense. He also introduced Lt. Gen. John Wall, who described a successful experiment (known as FLAGE) involving technologies applicable to theater missile defense. General Abrahamson concluded by describing the upcoming Vector Sum experiment. (**PS**)

Secretary Weinberger noted that the Congressional actions threatened the SDI program by trying to force concentration on terminal defense through both legislative directive and funding cuts. (C)

Admiral Poindexter asked if the new definitions proposed by the USSR relating to the ABM Treaty would restrict only tests in space. (c)

General Abrahamson answered that the Soviet proposals would prohibit all laboratory simulations which would give confidence that a space-based system or component would be feasible. (C)

Secretary Weinberger observed that the Soviets were attempting to destroy the U.S. program with their new definitions. (2)

Mr. Regan noted that the briefing had mentioned four possible surveillance systems and seven possible weapons. He asked

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# whether ultimately we would choose to pursue certain systems while dropping the others. ( $\wp$ )

<u>General Abrahamson</u> answered that the program was designed to prevent an Achille's heel and that meant devising two means for each function. (*P*)

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<u>Mr. Regan</u> asked if this meant that for each function there would be six systems, two for each phase of a ballistic missile trajectory. ( $\mathcal{O}$ )

<u>General Abrahamson</u> answered that the multiple systems would not be necessary immediately, but would be designed to deal with a responsive offensive threat. (C)

<u>Mr. Regan</u> asked how many missiles out of 100 would be knocked down during the boost phase.  $(\mathcal{Q})$ 

<u>General Abrahamson</u> answered that the goal was about 60 - 80 percent for each phase and that this would contribute significantly to deterrence. (C)

<u>Mr. Regan</u> observed that if the layers of defense were each 80 percent effective one missile would get through. (C)

<u>General Abrahamson</u> noted that the SDIO was working to find means for preventing even one missile from getting through and also observed that the likelihood of any attack would be diminished because Soviet planners would have little confidence that missiles would reach their targets, even if defenses were not perfect. ( $\mathcal{C}$ )

Secretary Weinberger said that the challenge facing SDI becomes easier once the boost phase eliminates 80 percent of missiles launched, making the job for other phases simpler. He continued that pursuing several concepts for each function is important as a hedge against failure and also because it allows faster progress. (C)

Mr. Regan asked at what point choices would be made to narrow alternatives. (C)

Secretary Weinberger answered that it is a function of funding. ( $\varnothing$ )

General Abrahamson continued that last year's cuts had already forced him to narrow options by scaling back three of four laser projects. (e)

Admiral Crowe asked if the Soviet proposed definitions are not accepted, would the SDI be constrained by the ABM Treaty in the early 1990's. (2)



General Abrahamson answered that this would indeed be the case. (C)

Secretary Baker asked which Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee voted with Democrats to force SDI to concentrate on terminal defense. (c)

Secretary Weinberger answered that it was Senator Cohen. (C)

Secretary Weinberger noted that those who sought to force SDI to focus on point defenses through legislation or funding cuts would kill the program and play into the Soviets' hands.

Admiral Poindexter asked Ambassador Nitze to brief the group on the conversion with Senator Gore. (C)

Ambassador Nitze said Senator Gore was troubled because the Vector Sum experiment seemed to resemble an intercept of a Soviet missile in boost phase and to look like an ABM Treaty violation. Ambassador Nitze explained that this is not the case because the object being intercepted will be in orbit rather than in a ballistic missile trajectory, while satisfies the Treaty requirement that tests not be "in an ABM mode," and because the planned interceptor will not have ABM capability. (TS)

<u>Mr. Miller</u> asked how much is known of relevant Soviet activities.  $(\mathcal{Q})$ 

<u>General Abrahamson</u> answered that we have some information which forms the basis for analysis of potential Soviet countermeasures and that work is underway to analyze other possible tactics the Soviets might pursue.  $(\mathcal{Q})$ 

Secretary Weinberger observed that the Soviets are vigorously pursuing both strategic offenses and defenses and that both are a cause for concern. (C)

Mr. Adelman asked what effect the loss of space launch capability would have on SDI's timetable. (2)

General Abrahamson answered that one experiment will be delayed two years, although some of the results have been attained through other means, while another experiment will be delayed at least a year. (S)

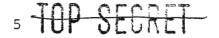
Mr. Adelman asked if this applied to Vector Sum. (78)

General Abrahamson said this experiment will be delayed at least two months because of problems with Delta rockets. (TS)

Attorney General Meese observed that SDI offers many potential commercial by-products and asked whether this could be used as a selling point with Congress.  $(\mathcal{D})$ 

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Secretary Weinberger said that this argument is very persuasive with foreign governments. (C)

The President asked if there is not some way to convince the program's critics on the Hill.  $(\mathcal{Q})$ 

Secretary Weinberger said that the Administration had gone out of its way to make sufficient information available to Congress; he ascribed opposition to SDI to basic philosophical differences. (2)

The President congratulated General Abrahamson and his staff on progress to date. He described SDI as a strategic necessity and a crucial part of our three part response to the Soviet strategic threat: modernizing our retaliatory forces; negotiating deep, equitable and verifiable reductions of nuclear weapons; and taking steps now to provide future options for the possible introduction of strategic defenses. (2)

In closing the meeting, the President asked all those present to do everything possible in public and in private to obtain the needed political support for the program. (C)

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