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National Security Decision Memorandum 226

TO: The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission

SUBJECT: Nuclear Weapons Deployment Authorization for FY 74

The President has approved the Nuclear Weapons Deployment Authorization Plan for FY 74 contained in the Department of Defense memorandum, dated June 8, 1973.

The number of weapons authorized reflects year-end authorizations with specific conditional deployments treated on a separate basis. Actual deployments against these authorizations will be controlled by the Secretary of Defense. Any significant changes contemplated in actual overseas deployments within these authorizations should be submitted to the President for approval.

The President authorizes the Secretary of Defense in FY 74 to:

- Manage and alter overseas nuclear weapons stockpile quantities as may be required by logistical considerations.
- Deploy nuclear weapons in the U.S. without limitation.
- Deploy nuclear weapons to areas outside the U.S. up to the limits indicated in Appendices A, B, and C, hereto, with the provision that:
 - The end-FY 74 total deployment authorization for each separate foreign country or afloat (Appendix A), and the total authorization by category of weapons for each region or afloat (Appendix B) may be exceeded by no more than ten percent in the event of unforeseen contingencies unless approved by the President

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- Weapons to be deployed under the specific conditions cited in Appendix C may be deployed as additive to existing authorizations for countries, regions and outside the U.S., except that:

o Deployments of 155mm projectiles for support of non-U.S. NATO units will be accompanied by a corresponding reduction in the authorization for these weapons with U.S. forces in West Germany.

o The Secretary of Defense will recommend at the appropriate time whether deployments in support of the Atomic Demolition Munition Program of Cooperation should be accompanied by corresponding increases in the total number of these weapons in NATO Europe.

-- Support non-U.S. forces in accordance with the units and numbers of weapons indicated in Appendix D hereto, subject to the following conditions:

- The provisions of NSAM 197 and NSAM 143, as amended by NSAM 370, concerning additional support for non-U.S. forces, continue to apply.

- Programs of Cooperation remain essentially the same as when Presidential approval was given.

- Custodial arrangements and facilities requirements of NSAM 370 continue to apply.

Permissive Action Link (PAL) devices will continue to be installed in all weapons deployed to NATO Europe and [REDACTED]. The weapon/yield restrictions of NSAM 143, as modified by NSAM 199 and NSAM 370, apply. In the Pacific region PALs will continue to be placed on all nuclear weapons deployed in [REDACTED] and on [REDACTED]. By the end of FY 74, PALs will be placed on the ASW nuclear weapons deployed in the [REDACTED]. The replacement of the tactical bombs in the [REDACTED] with PAL-equipped bombs will be accomplished by the end of CY 1974 or as soon thereafter as procurement of such bombs permits.

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The deployment authorization request for FY 75 and projections for FY 76 should be submitted for the President's approval in February 1974 together with the stockpile approval request. Rationale should continue to be provided for any significant changes in overseas or afloat deployments requested as outlined in NSDM 178.


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Attachments:

- Appendix A
- Appendix B
- Appendix C
- Appendix D

cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Director of Central Intelligence

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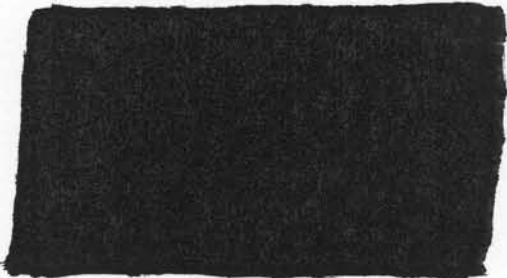

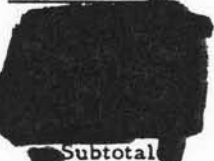




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APPENDIX A

NUCLEAR WEAPON DEPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

(Country, Region, and Afloat Totals)

FY 1974

	<u>US</u>	<u>Non-US</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>WESTERN EUROPE</u>			
			
United Kingdom			
West Germany ^{1/}			
Subtotal NATO Europe			
 ^{1/}			
Subtotal			
<u>ATLANTIC</u>			
			
Subtotal			
<u>PACIFIC</u>			
			
Subtotal			
<u>AFLOAT</u> ^{1/}			
TOTAL OUTSIDE US			

^{1/} See Appendix C for conditional deployments.

^{2/} Weapons will not be deployed until completion of detailed arrangements with the United Kingdom.

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APPENDIX B

NUCLEAR WEAPON DEPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

BY CATEGORY OF WEAPON - FY 1974

	<u>WESTERN</u>				
	<u>EUROPE</u>	<u>ATLANTIC</u>	<u>PACIFIC</u>	<u>AFLOAT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ^{1/}					
STRATEGIC DEFENSIVE ^{2/}					
TACTICAL OFFENSIVE ^{3/}					
TACTICAL DEFENSIVE ^{4/}					
FLEET ASW AND AAW					
TOTAL					

1/ Includes Strategic Offensive Subsurface-to-Surface Missiles, Surface-to-Surface Missiles, Bombs, and Air-to-Surface Missiles.

2/ Includes Strategic Defensive Air-to-Air Missiles and Surface-to-Air Missiles.

3/ Includes Tactical Bombs, Surface-to-Surface Missiles, Air-to-Surface Missiles, and Artillery.

4/ Includes Atomic Demolition Munitions, Tactical Air-to-Air Missiles, and Surface-to-Air Missiles.

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APPENDIX C

CONDITIONAL DEPLOYMENTS
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1974

<u>Region-Country/Afloat</u>	<u>Weapons</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Conditions</u>
ATLANTIC			
[REDACTED]	Fleet ASW & AAW	[REDACTED]	For wartime ASW operations.
[REDACTED]	Fleet ASW & AAW	[REDACTED]	For advanced readiness of ASW operations.
[REDACTED]	Fleet ASW & AAW	[REDACTED]	For wartime ASW operations.
[REDACTED]	Fleet ASW & AAW	[REDACTED]	For wartime ASW operations.
SUBTOTAL			
PACIFIC			
[REDACTED]	Tactical Bombs	[REDACTED]	For temporary off-load of Navy ships.
[REDACTED]	ASW & AAW	[REDACTED]	For depot level maintenance.
[REDACTED]	Strategic Defensive Missiles	[REDACTED]	During satellite alert conditions.
[REDACTED]	Tactical Bombs	[REDACTED]	For temporary off-load of Navy ships.
[REDACTED]	Fleet ASW & AAW	[REDACTED]	For temporary off-load of Navy ships.
[REDACTED]	SAM	[REDACTED]	For support of one NIKE HERCULES battalion when deployed from CONUS for advanced readiness.
SUBTOTAL			
NATO EUROPE			
[REDACTED]	Arty-155mm	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
[REDACTED]	ADM	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.

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CONDITIONAL DEPLOYMENTS, Cont'd

<u>Region-Country/Afloat</u>	<u>Weapons</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Conditions</u>
NATO EUROPE (Cont'd)			
[REDACTED]	Arty-155mm	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
[REDACTED]	Tactical Bombs	[REDACTED]	When US dual-capability conditions have been met.
[REDACTED]	SAM	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
[REDACTED]	ADM	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
[REDACTED]	Arty-155mm	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
[REDACTED]	SAM	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
[REDACTED]	ADM	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
West Germany	Arty-155mm for [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	Arty-155mm for UK	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	Arty-155mm for FRG	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	Tactical Bombs for FRG	[REDACTED]	When US dual-capability conditions have been met.
	SAM for [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	SAM for [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	ADM for [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.

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<u>Region-Country/Afloat</u>	<u>Weapons</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Conditions</u>
NATO EUROPE West Germany (Cont'd)	ADM for [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	ADM for UK	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
	ADM for FRG	[REDACTED]	When units become nuclear operational.
SUBTOTAL		[REDACTED]	
AFLOAT	Polaris A-3	[REDACTED]	These warheads, which are stockpiled to make up for the loss of weapons by destructive testing, may be deployed for advanced readiness, flexibility in scheduling SSBN conversions, and logistic variations.
	Poseidon C-3	[REDACTED]	These warheads will be built in advance of projected SSBN operational requirements to permit more efficient use of AEC production facilities. They may be deployed for advanced readiness, flexibility in scheduling SSBN conversions, and logistic variations.
	Artillery	[REDACTED]	For advanced readiness of Fleet Marines.
	ADM	[REDACTED]	For advanced readiness of Fleet Marines and LANT Special Warfare Units.
	Bombs	[REDACTED]	For advanced readiness of Fleet Marines.
SUBTOTAL		[REDACTED]	
GRAND TOTAL		[REDACTED]	

- 1/ Only Phase I authorizations are shown. See applicable Programs of Cooperation for later Phase II deployments.
- 2/ [REDACTED] ADMs are presently deployed with US Forces pending transfer to the support of [REDACTED] units.
- 3/ The 155mm Howitzer weapons could be deployed in the [REDACTED] or West Germany.

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APPENDIX D

AUTHORIZED CEILINGS ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN SUPPORT
OF NON-US FORCES
FY 1974

<u>Country of Unit/Storage</u>	<u>Weapon System</u>	<u>Weapon</u>	<u>Whds</u>	<u>Units</u>
[REDACTED]	Aircraft	Mk-28/43/57	[REDACTED]	2 Sqdns
[REDACTED]	Genie	Mk-25	[REDACTED]	3 Sqdns
[REDACTED]	Nike Hercules	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	4 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Honest John <u>1/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	2 Bns
[REDACTED]	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	6 Btrys
[REDACTED]	155mm Howitzer <u>2/</u>	Mk-48	[REDACTED]	6 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Aircraft	Mk-28/43/57	[REDACTED]	2 Sqdns
[REDACTED]	ADM <u>4/</u>	Mk-45/54	[REDACTED]	--
[REDACTED]	Nike Hercules	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	9 Btrys <u>5/</u>
[REDACTED]	Honest John <u>1/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	6 Btrys
[REDACTED]	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	2 Btrys
[REDACTED]	155mm Howitzer <u>2/</u>	Mk-48	[REDACTED]	12 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Aircraft	Mk-28/43/57	[REDACTED]	4 Sqdns <u>6/</u>
[REDACTED]	Aircraft (ASW)	Mk-57	[REDACTED]	1 Sqdn
[REDACTED]	ADM <u>4/</u>	Mk-45/54	[REDACTED]	--
[REDACTED]	Aircraft (ASW)	Mk-57	[REDACTED]	1 Sqdn
United Kingdom	Honest John <u>1 & 7/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	2 Bns
or West Germany	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	1 Bn
[REDACTED]	155mm Howitzer <u>2/</u>	Mk-48	[REDACTED]	3 Btrys
or West Germany	Aircraft	Mk-28/43/57	[REDACTED]	2 Sqdns
[REDACTED]	Aircraft (ASW)	Mk-57	[REDACTED]	1 Sqdn
or United Kingdom	Nike Hercules	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	8 Btrys <u>5/</u>
[REDACTED]	Honest John <u>1 & 8/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	4 Bns
[REDACTED]	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	8 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Aircraft	Mk-28/43/57	[REDACTED]	4 Sqdns
[REDACTED]	ADM <u>4/</u>	Mk-45/54	[REDACTED]	--
[REDACTED]	Nike Hercules	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	8 Btrys <u>5/</u>
[REDACTED]	Nike Hercules	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	7 Btrys <u>5/</u>
[REDACTED]	Nike Hercules	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	24 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Honest John <u>1/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	2 Bns
[REDACTED]	Honest John <u>1/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	6 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Honest John <u>1/</u>	Mk-31	[REDACTED]	22 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Sergeant <u>1/</u>	Mk-52	[REDACTED]	16 Btrys
[REDACTED]	Pershing	Mk-50	[REDACTED]	2 Wings
[REDACTED]	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	2 Btrys
[REDACTED]	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	6 Btrys
[REDACTED]	8" Howitzer	Mk-33	[REDACTED]	11 Btrys
[REDACTED]	155mm Howitzer <u>2/</u>	Mk-48	[REDACTED]	2 Bns
[REDACTED]	155mm Howitzer <u>2/</u>	Mk-48	[REDACTED]	2 Bns
[REDACTED]	155mm Howitzer <u>2/</u>	Mk-48	[REDACTED]	11 Btrys

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