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January 9, 1997

PRESIDENTIAL DECISION DIRECTIVE/NSC-53

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT  
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 THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
 THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE  
 THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION  
 THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY  
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 THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR ECONOMIC  
 POLICY  
 THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR,  
 OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY  
 THE ADMINISTRATOR, AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL  
 DEVELOPMENT  
 THE DIRECTOR, ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT  
 AGENCY  
 THE DIRECTOR, UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY  
 CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Amendment to the Organization of the National  
 Security Council

I hereby direct that the National Security Council system, as described by Presidential Decision Directive/NSC-2, dated January 20, 1993, and amended by PDD/NSC-45, dated March 1, 1996, and PDD/NSC-51, dated October 12, 1996, be amended as follows:

*William J. Clinton*

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In addition to the members described in section B of PDD-2, the NSC/PC shall have as a member the Assistant to the Vice President for National Security Affairs.

Except as amended by this directive, all other portions of PDD/NSC-2 remain in effect.