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PRESIDENTIAL DECISION DIRECTIVE/NSC-65

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

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DIRECTOR, U.S. ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

DIRECTOR, UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT:

Amendment to the Organization of the National Security Council with Regard to the Role of the Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs/Senior Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control, Nonproliferation and Disarmament Further to my April 18, 1997 decision to reorganize the foreign affairs agencies, Presidential Decision Directive/NSC-2 of January 20, 1993 is hereby amended as follows.

A new penultimate sentence shall be added to the second paragraph of Section A:

A. The National Security Council (NSC)

The Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs/Senior Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control, Nonproliferation and Disarmament, shall be invited to attend all National Security Council meetings concerning matters pertaining to arms control, nonproliferation or disarmament.

A new penultimate sentence shall be added to the second paragraph of Section B:

B. The NSC Principals Committee (NSC/PC)

The Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs/Senior Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control, Nonproliferation and Disarmament, shall be invited to attend all NSC/PC meetings concerning matters pertaining to arms control, nonproliferation or disarmament.

A new penultimate sentence shall be added to the second paragraph of Section C:

C. The NSC Deputies Committee (NSC/DC)

The Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs/Senior Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control, Nonproliferation and Disarmament, or his designee, shall be invited to attend all NSC/DC meetings concerning matters pertaining to arms control, nonproliferation or disarmament.

The first and second sentences of Section D are retained. The third sentence shall be replaced by the following:

D. Interagency Working Groups (NSC/IWGs)

In general, foreign policy and nonproliferation issues should be chaired at the Assistant-Secretary level by the Department of State; defense issues should be chaired at the Assistant-Secretary level by the Department of Defense; international economic issues by the Department of the Treasury or the NEC, as appropriate; and intelligence, arms control and crisis management by the NSC. The NSC chair of the arms control IWG will convene a meeting of the arms control IWG at the request of the Department of State.

Integration Transition

During the transition period for the consolidation of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and the Department of State and as long as the person serving as the Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency has delegated authority to exercise the function that have been delegated to the Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs, the incumbent will continue to attend National Security Council, Principals Committee and Deputies Committee meetings when matters relating to arms control, nonproliferation or disarmament are discussed. This incumbent will be considered a Principal in addition to the Department of State's representation.

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

William J. Cimeon