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PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

Luncheon - Thursday, June 5, 1975

[There was a discussion of the Soviet interception of telephone communications in the area.]

Admiral Anderson: The NIE is overly optimistic and possibly slanted. Especially in ASW. These estimates tend to give the President what they think he would like to hear.

Foster: The capacity is present. It is a question of whether they want to pursue it. The data indicate that the present generation of missiles under test could have the capacity by 1980 of the post '85 systems. By 1985, if there are a number of new missiles (SS-18's and 19's) with the present warheads, the Minutemen will be more vulnerable than we now estimate.

I am also concerned about ASW. Indications are that they may be able to -- with systems they are developing -- to trace submarines 90 percent of the time from port to port.

Shultz: This possibility is excluded in the NIE.

Kissinger: I think the problem is the system. We do not get sharp alternative views. Each agency is under pressure not to estimate anything which would put its systems at risk.

The President needs an explicit paper setting out what the report says on particular systems and what the Board's concerns are.

Vice President: I would give this Committee oversight over urgent matters and wrongdoing.

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Teller: But it was encouraging to hear how we have found out about it.

Kissinger: For us to put this out will cause a storm against the USSR which will jeopardize our larger interests with the Soviet Union.

Galvin: But we may have a Catch 22 thing. ....
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Teller: I don't think we should do anything to exclude mobile missiles.

Kissinger: What kind of mobile missiles do you recommend?

Teller: I tend to favor air mobility but I would not ban any.

Kissinger: I agree.

Foster: What is key is that we maintain our deterrent capability.

Kissinger: If our submarines can be tracked, we may want to change the kind of submarines.

Foster: ....
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Vice President: When the public finds out, they will want to know why it wasn't stopped and why people weren't warned.

Why shouldn't we jam the Soviet reception?

Baker: That would take bathing them.

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