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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20451

November 19, 1975

Honorable John O. Marsh, Jr. Counsellor to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Marsh:

Some weeks ago, when we had an opportunity to chat, the subject of mass destruction terrorism came up. As you may recall, I chair an NSC-sponsored interagency study concerned with nuclear and other forms of mass destruction. The first phase of the study is now complete and has been coordinated throughout the national security community: it is a survey effort dealing with the trends in terrorism, the physical effects of various terrorist weapons, and the domestic and international crisis management problems we would face if confronted with the spectre of such acts.

At the time you seemed quite interested in the subject. Thus, I might suggest that if you have ten minutes to spare, I can give you a capsule-briefing of the report and discuss where we might wish to take the government's planning efforts from here on in. What with the present controversy with Representative Pike, and the myriad of other daily complications you face, your schedule is obviously very busy. If a "good time" can be found, I should be very happy to brief you.

Best wishes,

Robert H. Kupperman Chief Scientist



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September 17, 1975

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FROM:

D/CS - Robert H. Kupperman

SUBJECT:

Transmittal of the Mass Destruction Terrorism

Study and the Executive Summary

Attached are the final versions of the Mass Destruction Terrorism study and the Executive Summary. After consulting with the NSC it has been confirmed that dissemination of this study should be tightly controlled. Please treat it accordingly.

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Development Agency

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SUBJECT: Preparedness Efforts to Meet Threats of Mass

Destruction Terrorism

The President has decided in light of the continuing level of worldwide terrorist activities and the increased technological opportunities that are becoming available to terrorists, that we should establish a centralized mechanism to manage crises that result from threats or acts of terrorism involving nuclear, chemical or biological weapons or the disruption of societal networks such as commercial aviation or the electrical power system. The President has therefore directed the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to establish a basic operational capability to coordinate the actions of Federal agencies and departments should we soon be confronted with such a threat or act of mass destruction. The NSC is being tasked to undertake the

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responsibility for the formulation of necessary operational plans, the assignment of individual agency or departmental functions, and the direction of worldwide command, control and communication functions in this area.

In order further to prepare for the management of mass destruction terrorist crises, the President has directed the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to form an interim planning working group, and to appoint a chairman thereof, to coordinate the research and planning efforts needed to formulate policy guidelines and recommend the development of the technical means to combat threats of mass destruction. The working group is appointed for a oneyear term and is to be staffed as necessary on a short-term detail basis from the addressee departments and agencies. Its task is to develop recommendations and plans for the longer-term operational responsibilities of the NSC in mass destruction crises by developing techniques and guidelines for improving our capabilities to thwart the objectives of possible mass destruction terrorists and to limit damage caused by them should preventative measures prove ineffective.

The planning working group's responsibilities include the development of threat assessment and management guidelines, intelligence indicators, improved technical means for detection and warning, possible international arrangements to combat terrorism, and disaster relief plans.



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It is expected that this group will work closely with the NSC staff personnel concerned with actual crisis management in this area. The addressee departments and agencies are requested to cooperate fully with the chairman of the interim planning working group and provide him with the necessary assistance to fulfill his task.

Upon completion of its tenure, the planning working group will submit a report with a recommended program to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to cope with threats and acts of mass destruction terrorism.

cc: Secretary of Transportation
Secretary of the Treasury
Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare
Director of Environmental Protection Agency
Administrator of Law Enforcement Assistance Administration

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MIKE DUVAL

FROM:

JACK MARSH

Attached are some materials from AGDA concerning Terrorism. I would greatly appreciate your comments.

Also, take a look at the November 22 letter from Jeanne Davis concerning Israel and FOCUS. Please note there is no objection to certain materials being furnished to the Senate Select Committee.

JOM/dl



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 28, 1975



MEMORANDUM FOR

JACK MARSH

FROM:

MIKE DUVAL

SUBJECT:

TERRORISM

Before we have the briefing on terrorism, I think we should chat.

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I have serious reservations concerning the degree with which top White House officials, such as yourself, should be involved in terrorism. As you know, there's very little we can do (that hasn't already been done) without incurring far more negatives than pluses. Any Presidential involvement in this subject invites terrorists to target the United States and latent domestic dissidents to move into action.

At any rate, there are all sorts of pitfalls in this area, and I think we ought to talk before getting locked into a briefing.



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