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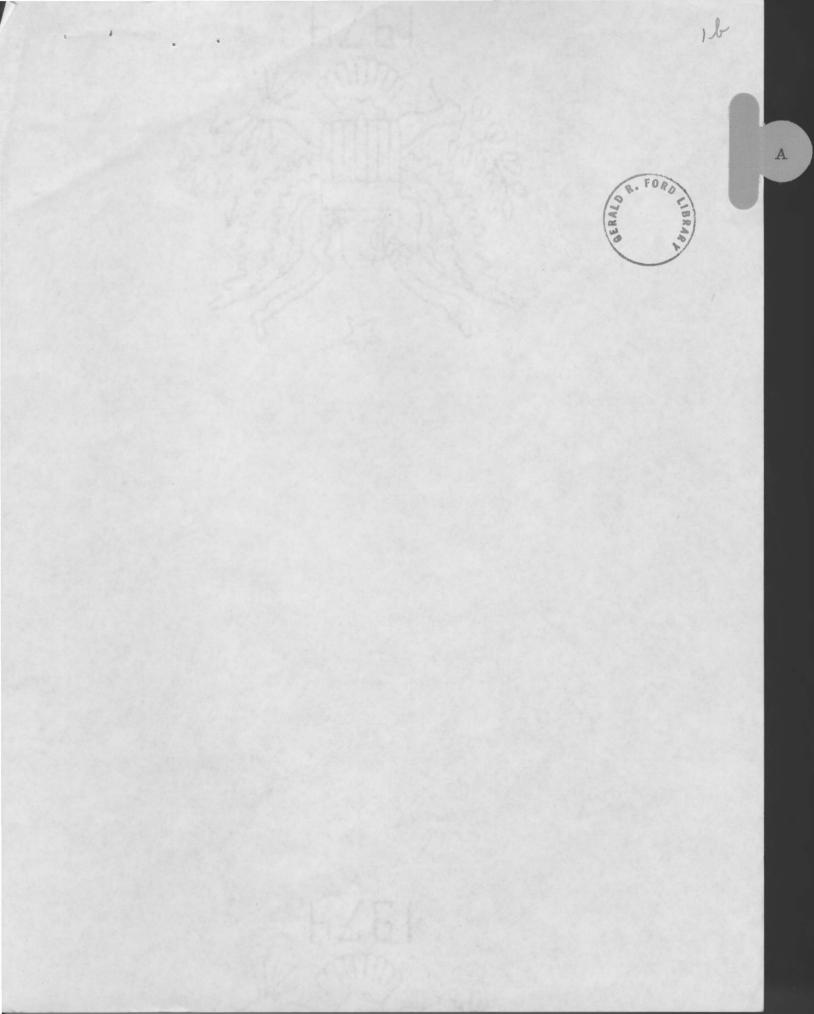
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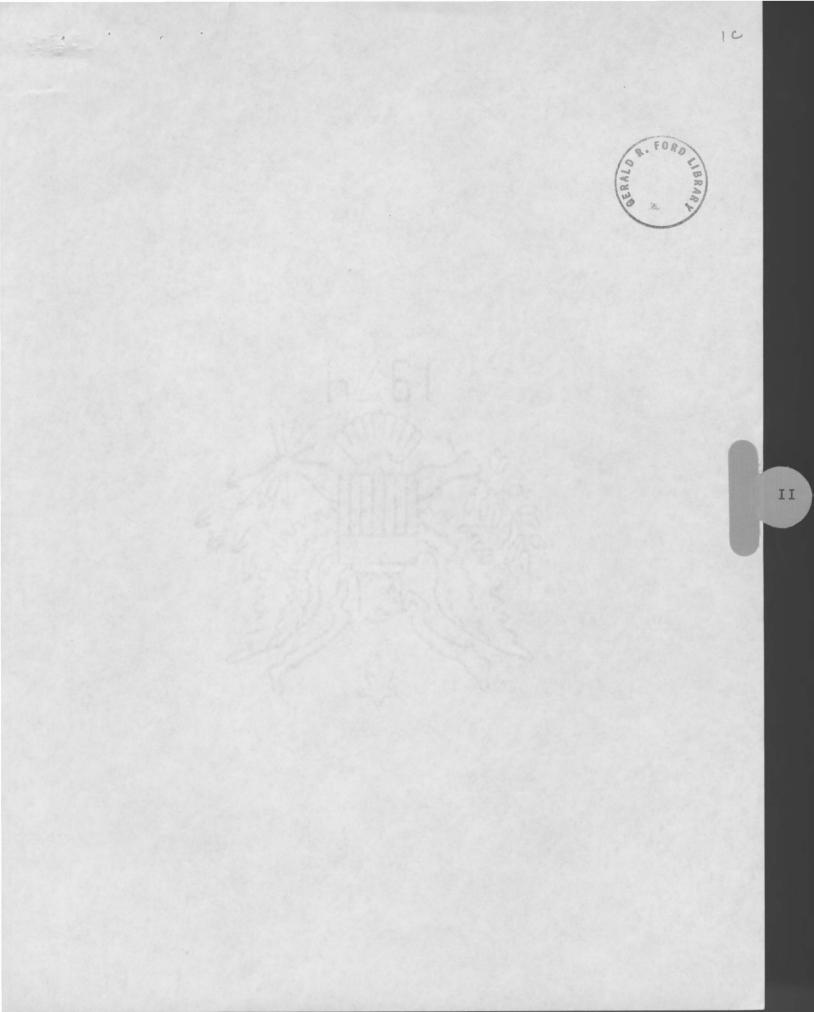
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

April 8, 1975

National Security Decision Memorandum 291

The Secretary of Defense
The Deputy Secretary of State
The Director of Central Intelligence

U.S. Security Policy Toward Greece SUBJECT:

The President has considered the response to NSSM 215 on U.S. security policy toward Greece submitted by the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs on February 8, together with the formal agency comments and recommendations relating thereto.

The President has confirmed that negotiations should proceed with Greece relating to U.S. bases and facilities in Greece and the bilateral Status of Forces Agreements, with the understanding that the following guidelines will shape the U.S. position:

-- The principal U.S. objective in the negotiations is to preserve to the extent possible the existing U.S. security arrangements with Greece while encouraging Greece's return to full participation in NATO. The United States should seek to regain full effective use of those U.S. facilities considered most important to U.S. security interests. If concessions are necessary to obtain Greek agreement to these U.S. principal objectives, the United States may agree to consolidation or reduction of facilities considered least essential to retain.

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-- In response to Greek initiative and in return for Greek support of principal U.S. objectives, the United States may agree to the termination of homeporting.

-- The United States considers the NATO Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) as the limiting framework for any agreement on the alteration of the status, privileges and immunities of U.S. forces in Greece.

In approving the U.S. position for these negotiations, the President recognizes the interconnection between US-Greek security relations and Greece's NATO ties, and again emphasizes the importance attached to full Greek participation in NATO.

The President has directed that the senior U.S. negotiator should submit a report on the results of these negotiations, including such ad referendum agreements as may be developed, for his review as soon as possible.

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Henry A. Kissinger

cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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April 8, 1975

National Security Study Memorandum 221

TO: The Secretary of Defense The Deputy Secretary of State The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: U.S. Security Interests in the Azores

The President has directed a priority review of U.S. security interests in the Azores. The study should identify:

-- The political and military significance of U.S. base rights and facilities in the Azores in terms of their contributions to both U.S. and NATO security interests.

-- U.S. policy and options under the range of possible conditions including: continuation of existing base arrangements, a Portuguese request for more limited U.S. access and use, a Portuguese demand for U.S. withdrawal from the Azores, or a U.S. decision to withdraw.

-- Alternative arrangements, if required, for the transfer of essential Azores operations to other locations, including an examination of the military and political implications of such relocation, and the pros and cons associated with various relocation sites.

The study should take into account, as appropriate, the work already carried out in response to NSSMs 189, 196 and 208.

The President has directed that the study be undertaken by an <u>ad hoc</u> NSC interagency group comprising representatives of the addressees of this memorandum and a representative of the NSC staff and under the

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chairmanship of the representative of the Department of State. The study should be forwarded no later than April 14, 1975, for consideration by the Senior Review Group.

Henry A. 'Kissinger

cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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April 18, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Secretary of Defense The Deputy Secretary of State The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

U.S. Security Interests in the Azores: NSSM 221

Attached is a copy of the study, <u>U.S. Security Interests in the Azores</u>, prepared by an Ad Hoc Interagency Group in response to NSSM 221.

May we please have your agency's formal concurrence and/or comments on the study no later than April 25, 1975.

APAA 100 - 110 Jeanne W. Davis Staff Secretary

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cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff



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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Secretary of Defense The Deputy Secretary of State The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: U.S. Security Interests in the Azores: NSSM 221

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Staff Secretary

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cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff



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April 17, 1975

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MEMORANDUM TO THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

Subject: NSSM 221 - U.S. Security Interests in the Azores

Enclosed is the final draft of a study on U.S. Security Interests in the Azores as prepared by a State-Defense Working Group in response to National Security Study Memorandum 221 of April 8, 1975.

In the late stages of the drafting, it became apparent that OSD/ISA would not be able to concur in the document, so the document as conveyed lacks an ISA clearance; those concurring in the present draft are the Joint Staff, the Military Services, and the various bureaus and offices of the Department of State. Both the Joint Staff and ISA request that the document be circulated by the NSC for Agency/Departmental comments.

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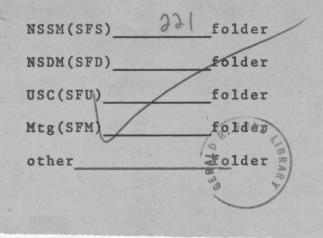
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

THRU: THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS)

Subject: NSSM 221

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