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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)~~ *RB*

Subject: NSSM 182

You are advised of the following appointments for carrying out the staff responsibilities of the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (OJCS) with respect to the study directed by the subject National Security Study Memorandum:

a. OJCS Representative: Keith L. Christensen, Brigadier General, USAF, Chief, Europe-Middle East-Africa Division, Plans and Policy Directorate, telephone OX5-6585.

b. OJCS Action Officer Point of Contact: Ernest C. Connelley, Jr., Captain, USN, Middle East-Africa-CENTO Branch, Europe-Middle East-Africa Division, telephone OX7-0255.

*M. G. Colladay*  
MARTIN G. COLLADAY  
Major General, USAF  
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May 9, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR MRS. DAVIS

JEANNE:

The attached NSSM is satisfactory to the Secretaries of State and Defense. I suggest it be issued with a date of May 10, 1973 and released late in the afternoon tomorrow.



RTKennedy

Attachment

NSSM - Implication for  
US Policy etc.

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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(add-on)

TOP SECRET (GDS)

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May 2, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. KISSINGER

FROM: RICHARD T. KENNEDY *RJK*

SUBJECT: Proposed NSSM on the Implications of Soviet Strategy in the Eastern Mediterranean, Near East, Arabian Peninsula, and South Asia

You asked that the draft NSSM be revised to more specifically indicate why we were tying the areas of the Eastern Mediterranean, Near East, and South Asia together in the study. We revised the NSSM to accomplish this but in a way which would not prejudge the study itself. We also have made the NSSM more specific by identifying certain specific Soviet actions in these areas as illustrative of those which should be assessed.

Hal Sonnenfeldt *S* and Hal Saunders *HS* concur.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve the NSSM at Tab A.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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ACTION

April 13, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MR. KISSINGER

FROM:

RICHARD T. KENNEDY *[Signature]*

SUBJECT:

Proposed NSSM on the Implications of Soviet Strategy in the Eastern Mediterranean, Near East, Arabian Peninsula, and South Asia

You asked for a NSSM to examine Soviet strategy and objectives in the areas extending from Turkey to the sub-continent and their implications for U.S. strategy and policies in these areas. The attached draft would request such a study.

We have already forwarded to you a companion piece to this study to examine the implications for U.S. policy of the situation in the Horn of Africa. That study would include consideration of Soviet objectives and involvement in that area.

Hal Sonnenfeldt *[initials]* and Hal Saunders *[initials]* concur in the attached draft.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve the attached draft which I will then take up with Ted Eliot in the usual way.

Attachment

*29 isn't clear why we are tying these areas together. Can we be more specific?*

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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National Security Study Memorandum

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

SUBJECT:   Implication for U.S. Policy of Probable Lines of Soviet Strategy and Policy in the Eastern Mediterranean, Near East, Arabian Peninsula, and South Asia

The President has noted that a number of leaders of friendly countries in the Near East and South Asia have the view that the Soviet Union is intensifying its diplomatic, economic and military activity throughout these areas. He has directed a study of the implications for U.S. policy of probable lines of Soviet strategy, policy and actions in the Eastern Mediterranean, the Near East, the Arabian Peninsula and the Persian Gulf, and South Asia.

The study should include:

- Identification and assessment of Soviet strategic interests and objectives in these areas and the ensuing lines of policy and actions which the Soviets are likely to pursue over the next five years.
  - . Interests, objectives and policies which may be common to more than one of the specific areas included in this study or which may reflect strategic concerns extending beyond these areas should be identified and assessed.
  - . The extent to which Soviet policies and actions in any or all of these areas may be designed to support its policies toward or posture vis-a-vis the People's Republic of China or Western Europe should be assessed.
- Assessment of basic U.S. interests and objectives in these areas identifying how they may be affected by Soviet interests, objectives, policies and actions.

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- Assessment of the implications of political, economic and security factors and trends in these areas as they may affect the interests, objectives, and policies of either the United States or the USSR or both.

In assessing Soviet lines of policy and actions, the study should consider but not be limited to the following:

- Continued economic and military assistance and political support for Egypt.
- Military assistance to and political support for Iraq, Syria, and South Yemen.
- Military presence, including basing arrangements, in the areas of the study.
- Support for subversive and radical groups and movements throughout the areas of the study.
- Economic and political support for India.
- Economic and political relations with Iran, Kuwait and other states in the Persian Gulf.

Based upon these assessments, the study should discuss the strategy and policy options open to the U. S. to protect and advance U. S. interests.

This study should be conducted by an NSC Ad Hoc Group to be chaired by the representative of the Secretary of State and to include representatives of the addressees and the NSC Staff. The study should be submitted by

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National Security Study Memorandum

TO: The Secretary of State  
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SUBJECT: Implication for U. S. Policy of Probable Lines of Soviet Strategy and Policy in the Eastern Mediterranean, Near East, Arabian Peninsula, and South Asia

The President has directed a study of the implications for U. S. policy of probable lines of Soviet strategy, policy and actions in the Eastern Mediterranean, the Near East, the Arabian Peninsula and the Persian Gulf, and South Asia.

The study should include:

- Identification and assessment of Soviet strategic interests and objectives in these areas and the ensuing lines of policy and actions which the Soviets are likely to pursue over the next five years. Interests, objectives and policies which may be common to more than one of the specific areas included in this study or which may reflect strategic concerns extending beyond these areas should be identified and assessed.
- Assessment of basic U. S. interests and objectives in these areas identifying how they may be affected by Soviet interests, objectives, policies and actions.
- Assessment of the implications of political, economic and security factors and trends in these areas as they may affect the interests, objectives, and policies of either the United States or the USSR or both.

Based upon these assessments, the study should discuss the strategy and policy options open to the U. S. to protect and advance U. S. interests.

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This study should be conducted by an NSC Ad Hoc Group to be chaired by the representative of the Secretary of State and to include representatives of the addressees and the NSC Staff. The study should be submitted by June 15, 1973, for consideration by the NSC Senior Review Group.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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