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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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By isp/cbm NARA, Date 5-9-02

SUBJECT: Meeting on Stockpile Objectives
Noon -- October 31 -- Cabinet Room

The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report of the interdepartmental committee appointed by you to review the criteria upon which stockpile objectives are determined.

At Tab A is a paper describing the report and summarizing the one major change recommended.

1. Governor Daniel is prepared to summarize the report and present the one major recommended change in the criteria. (His presentation will take 5-7 minutes.)
2. Secretary Clifford is prepared to give his views and support the committee's recommendations.
3. General Wheeler is prepared to comment on the military aspects of the stockpile report.
4. Under Secretary Katzenbach may wish to comment on the foreign policy implications.
5. Questions you may wish to put to Governor Daniel or Secretary Clifford:
 - a. Are you recommending only one major change in the criteria? -- Most Free World nations can be regarded as available sources of supply in a non-nuclear war instead of limiting consideration to the North American continent and adjacent countries.
 - b. Does everyone agree that for planning purposes we should assume that any future non-nuclear war will last three years?
6. Conclude the meeting by saying you will decide on the Council's recommendation when you have before you an appropriate action document to sign.

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