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TO : The Deputy Secretary of Defense
The Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs
The Director of Central Intelligence
The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Assistant Director, Office of Management
and Budget, Mr. James Schlesinger
The Director, Office of Science and
Technology
The Director, United States Information
Agency
The Director, Arms Control and Disarmament
Agency

SUBJECT: Annual Review of United States Chemical
Warfare and Biological Research Programs

The President has noted the report of the Under Secretaries Committee's annual review of U.S. chemical warfare and biological research programs as directed by National Security Decision Memoranda 35, 44, and 78.

The President has directed that the Department of Defense request the study by the National Academy of Sciences, regarding the ecological and physiological effects of the use of herbicides in Vietnam, give due consideration to the questions of restoration and future use of the sprayed areas and possible steps to minimize further deterioration.

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In addition, the President has requested that the Under Secretaries Committee's report on the defensive biological programs be forwarded to him by August 15, 1971.



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Staff Director

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