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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT Status of Joint CIA/DIA Study on

Soviet Civil Defense

- In March 1969--following separate requests from the Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness and the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, USAF--CIA and DIA initiated a joint study on Soviet civil defense. Original plans called for completion by about mid-September.
- The joint study is designed to measure the actual level of effort being expended on civil defense by the Soviets as they define it, to analyze Soviet evacuation planning, and to measure Soviet capabilities to transport and care for evacuees.
- Progress on the study has been unavoidably slowed, in part because of the extensive contributions required from various components of CIA and DIA and in part because of the press of work on National Security Council studies. We now expect to complete the study in November.
- The full study will not be completed in time for it to be used as an input project officers have been asked to prepare a briefing that reflects the findings to date of the joint study. Since some of the judgments and conclusions are not yet fully documented, however, there may be some opposition to their being included in this year's NIE.

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