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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

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Dear George,

I have reviewed the suggestions for further changes in the NITs proposed by your staff.

As you know, we have raised the priority of the questions dealing with theater nuclear forces [redacted] With regard to the other substantive suggestions, it seems to me on balance that they are covered by more generalized formulations already on the current list, and that to introduce such a degree of specificity would not be appropriate in the NITs' present form.

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As mentioned at the PRC(I) meeting, when the NITs are next reviewed we have in mind adjusting the categories to make the current topics more specific and sharply focused. At that time we will again invite your suggestions for new and revised short-term questions.

Meanwhile, I am passing the interests expressed in your memo on to our analysts so they can take them into account in current analytic production.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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