The W.P. answers Me DCI's quest on LER 82 12414/1

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- o The Executive Branch does in fact have to study, as the NSPG principals were directed, what alternative positions the U.S. might want to have in the INF negotiations, other than the existing "zero-zero" option, et al; OSD/Perle had offered the idea that the Soviet rejection of the package (at the beginning of this round of INF talks) obviated the need for such study.
- OSD/JCS agreed to look at what mix of weapons systems in Europe (and what quantities) the U.S. could move to as a position sometime in early 1983. OSD/ Perle agreed to use the issue of nuclear-armed aircraft as a cover means to allow the bureaucracy to study the mix question, given that the U.S. position in INF focuses now, in effect, on missiles alone.

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	o CIA agreed to look at what key questionse.g., monitoringwe would want to have addressed in any future considerations by the Executive Branch of any "new" U.S. positions.	
	o At my request, it was agreed (I believe) that the secrecy of such considerations be paramount and specifically that:	
	 the subject never be discussed on unsecure phones under any circumstances; and, 	
	 the movement of papers within the Executive Branch be done strictly within "eyes only" sealed envelopes unlike Director Rostow's correspondence. 	25 X ′
your re told th be post than th case, I	In this context, this Staff is working towards giving you answers for the issues you requested. I hope to do thisgiven the complexity of equests and the other requirements on this Staffby 15 November. I am not a NSPG meeting needs to be called, but I believe that meeting will exponed until at least mid-November, and it is likely to be even later not because the questions for DOD are relatively hard ones. In any want you to know I have not forgotten your requests, and we will get to you.	25X′
5. anythin	If you desire to change the timeline for our work, or if there is ag else I can do for you now, please call and let me know.	25X1
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cc: DD Ex	CI Dir	

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