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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

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17 April 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM:

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Special Assistant for Nuclear Proliferation
Intelligence

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SUBJECT: Proposal for a SNIE on India's Reactions to
Nuclear Developments in Pakistan

1. This is to propose the preparation and issuance of the subject SNIE. The nuclear issue plays a very important role in US-Indian relations and US goals and interests in Pakistan and South Asia. Given the prospect of a number of important security-related policy decisions concerning India and Pakistan, I believe it is important to have a SNIE available covering the issues and topics contained in the draft concept and terms of reference (attached).

2. I have discussed with [REDACTED] the selection of drafters for the paper. [REDACTED] the NIC Analytic Group and [REDACTED] of the Near East South Asia Division, OPA, will have joint responsibility. The project has been discussed in detail with [REDACTED] Acting NIO/NESA, who concurs in its need and the approach to be taken. The SRP reviewed and approved a similar concept for this paper some months ago.

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3. The SNIE would substitute for the IIM on the broader subject of Indian nuclear capabilities and prospects scheduled in the DD/NFA's semi annual production program for issuance in the second quarter 1981. I propose that it move along a "fast track."

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As Stated

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APPROVED:

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Chairman, National Intelligence Council

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