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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BUNNY

July 7, 1961

SUBJECT: Status of Berlin Contingency Planning

1. Henry Owen and I have divided up the Berlin contingency planning as follows:

Henry Owen:

- a) Ground Access to Berlin.
- b) Diplomatic Proposals over Berlin.
- c) Definition of Issue over which to Contend.
- d) Airlift.

Henry Kissinger:

- a) All-German proposals.
- b) Intelligence Activities in Eastern Europe.
- c) Non-Military Countermeasures.
- d) Military Measures Other than Ground-Access --
i. e., naval blockade.
- e) Crash Programs for Acute Crisis -- Particularly
Disarmament and European Solutions.
- f) Civilian Access.

The division is not absolute, of course. There is some overlap. Henry Owen and I are in daily consultation.

2. I have taken the following steps in consultation with Foy Kohler and Marty Hillenbrand:

All German Solutions

The present status is that State will make available their file on existing all-German proposals, as well as on the issue of a separate peace treaty with the Federal Republic. After reviewing this file I may supplement it with a paper of my own.

Intelligence Activities in Eastern Europe

After consultation with CIA and State, I have formed a small working group with representatives of State, CIA, Defense and myself.

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Civilian Access

No planning has been done about countermeasures to harassment of civilian access except for economic countermeasures. State will do a paper within the framework of the Acheson proposal that interruption of civilian traffic will be dealt with by the same contingency plan as interruption of military access. This requires a study of cases, ballistics and of procedures to implement this decision. State will make a preliminary study after having completed its reply to the NSC directive.

Non-Military Countermeasures

At present we have only a check list of conceivable measures but no real contingency planning. I will wait until we have the State reply to the NSC directive. Marty Hillenbrand agrees that it would then be appropriate to formulate a new request for a study.

Military Measures other than Ground Access

2. Defense is undertaking a study of naval countermeasures in the following categories:

- 1) Navy capability for blockade and harassment;
- 2) Effects on the Soviet bloc;
- 3) Possible Soviet countermeasures;
- 4) Effect on the West;
- 5) Mobilization measures required to undertake these measures and overcome a Soviet response.

3. Henry Rowan, Carl Kayser and I agree that present plans do not provide sufficient flexibility for the event of nuclear war. Henry

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Rowen will draft a directive for your signature suggesting a study of this problem with special reference to a Berlin show-down.

Czech Disarmament and Political Measures

Defense is looking into the question of tightening control over weapons in Europe.

State is preparing a paper on comprehensive schemes which could be proposed in times of extreme crisis.

3. All studies will eventually funnel into the Berlin working group.
4. I shall prepare a memo on each topic as the studies advance further.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc -- Mr. Rostow ✓
Mr. Henry Owen

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