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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT'CHIEFS OF STAFF

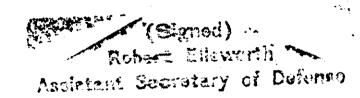
and agreed NATO strategies.

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SUBJECT: Release to the Allies of the US 'Reply to the 1975 NATO Defense Planning Review Quest ionna i re (DPQ-75)

In an effort to secure release of the US Reply to DPQ-75, State has proposed that we display in our reply the numbet- of Air Force Squadrons/ Aircraft. as shown in Table I (Air Force) of DPQ-74 UNITED STATES - D/l and footnote the table as follows:

- I/ In its continuing effort at force modernization, the US has been developing'new aircraft for a range of roles in the European theater. These include the F-15, F-16, and A - 10: Final decisions on deployment plans for new models, including questions of timing and the overall force compo-. sition, which may alter force figures beyond 1976, have not been made; The eventual, introduction of new aircraft wi 11 be planned in close consultation with the Alliance, and will take into account MBFR considerations, the need to maintain' necessary nuclear and conventional air capabi 1 i ty,
- (U) I request that you provide the views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on this proposed change to JCSM-278-75, 30 June 1975, as a matter of urgency, including any alternative changes which the Joint Chiefs of Staff consider more satisfactory.



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