

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

19 JUL 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: US Draft Reply to the 1976 NATO Defense Planning Review
Questionnaire (DPQ-76)

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AREA

I have considered the JCS recommendations concerning deployment of an F-111 wing to the UK and an F-15 wing to the NGA with retention of F-4s in the NGA, and reviewed the issues with the Defense Review Panel. Based on that review, I have reached the following decisions:

- The deployment of the F-111 wing to the UK in the spring of 1977 and the redeployment to CONUS of the displaced F-4s is approved.
- The deployment of the F-15 wing to the NGA in the spring of 1977 is also approved.
- The 66 F-4s displaced by the F-15 deployment to the NGA will be retained in the NGA. The retained F-4s will be additive to other US aircraft deployments to Europe and the Air Force is authorized to adjust the tactical force structure accordingly.
- The costs and manpower spaces associated with these actions are to be absorbed within current Air Force resources.

I request that the JCS modify the draft DPQ-76 to reflect the F-111 and F-4 deployment decisions, and that the modifications be forwarded to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs no later than Wednesday, 21 July 1976 in order to facilitate interagency approval of release of the US Reply to DPQ-76.

Furthermore, I request the Air Force to take the appropriate programming actions to support these decisions. I would appreciate the Air Force providing me with a draft public affairs plan for implementing these decisions, including the timing and nature of the plan for dealing with the domestic base ramifications of the deployments.

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Refer to: 1-23209/76

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Changes in US Tactical Aircraft Deployments to Europe - 17 JUL 1976
ACTION MEMORANDUM

Enclosed for your signature is a memorandum to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff and Secretary of the Air Force informing them of the Defense Review Panel's decisions regarding the F-111, F-15, and F-4 deployment issues and requesting that they take appropriate actions to implement these decisions.

Coordination: None required.

Enclosure
a/s

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Assistant Secretary for
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