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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Weapons Systems for Strategic Delivery (U)

1. Reference is made to your memorandum, dated 8 January 1959, subject as above.

2. The Appendix hereto contains a list of the presently planned forces and weapons systems for strategic delivery as programmed by the responsible Military Departments to be operational by June 30, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, and 1963.

3. With respect to the magnitude of the programs for the weapons systems for strategic delivery, the Joint Chiefs of Staff are of the opinion that the programmed forces in the Appendix are adequate. They recognize that the strategic concepts and weapons programs evolving therefrom do not remain static. Changes in estimates of Soviet capabilities, in the international situation, and advances in technology may, among other factors, necessitate changes in the quantity and types of forces and weapons systems programmed. For this reason, the Joint Chiefs of Staff will press forward pending studies related to these problems.

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APPENDIX

PRESENTLY PLANNED FORCES AND WEAPON SYSTEMS FOR STRATEGIC DELIVERY

	30 JUNE 1959	30 JUNE 1960	30 JUNE 1961	30 JUNE 1962	30 JUNE 1963	30 JUNE 1963		
	Ships or Sgdns	Missiles or A/C						
<u>Bombers</u>								
B-52	33	495	34	510	37	570	42	620
ROUND DOG	(0)	(0)	(2)	(28)	(15)	(224)	(29)	(405)
* (GAM-77)	111	1245	110	1230	93	1095	84	945
B-47	0	0	1	15	4	45	8	90
B-56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	144	1740	145	1755	135	1710	134	1565
<u>Surface-to-Surface Missiles</u>								
ATLAS	1	10	2	20	5	50	9	90
TITAN	0	0	0	0	1	10	4	40
MINUTEMAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THEOR	0	0	1	15	1	15	1	15
JUPITER	0	0	1	15	1	15	1	15
SWARK	0	0	1	30	1	30	1	30
Total	0	10	5	80	9	120	15	190
POLARIS	0	0	1	21	5	107	8	170
Total	0	10	6	101	14	227	23	360

* This is an air-to-surface missile carried by the B-52 (not included in column totals)

APPENDIX TO ENCLOSURE "A"
THEATER FORCES*

	30 Jun 1959		30 Jun 1950		30 Jun 1961		30 Jun 1952		30 Jun 1953	
	Sqdns	Aircraft								
<u>Carrier-Based Heavy Attack</u>										
AJ	2	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A3D	10	112	11	124	10	120	10	120	9	108
A3J	0	0	0	0	1	12	2	24	3	35
Total	12	136	11	124	11	132	12	144	12	144
PSM	0	0	0	0	1	5	1	5	1	6
Total	0	0	0	0	1	5	1	5	1	5
<u>Land-Based Light Bomber</u>										
B-57	3	49	3	49	0	0	0	0	0	0
B-53	3	62	3	51	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	6	111	6	110	0	0	0	0	0	0

* The forces listed, as well as others, are tactical forces, which in some cases strike the same type targets that are attacked by other forces. These missions is primarily strategic in nature. These aircraft have a medium range and an all-weather capability, and contribute to the conduct of strategic air warfare.

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