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MEMORANDUM FOR: J513

Subject: Review of NPR Working Group 5 Briefings (U)

1. (U) Comments on "Deterring the Acquisition of Weapons of Mass Destruction" Briefing.

a. (U) On slide 3 under the SECURITY heading include "no overpowering threat where WMD possession is seen as the only feasible defense" as one of the motivations not to proliferate.

2. (U) Comments on "Deterring and Responding to Chemical Weapons Deployment and Use" Briefing.

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b. (U) On slide 6 under "Some observations" the first bullet is unclear as written.

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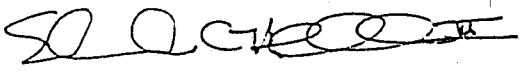
c. (U) On slide 6 also under "Some observations" recommend changing the fifth bullet to read "CW not yet delivered by ballistic missiles" because the threat of such use is considerable.

d. (U) On slide 7 under "Lethality -- some comparisons and generalizations" the second bullet is superfluous. Any WMD may be employed in a method that does not cause mass destruction, however it does not change the overall classification of that weapon. CW are WMDs because of their potential for causing massive injuries or deaths. It is certainly true that chemical weapons can be used for other than mass destruction but the same is true for nuclear and biological weapons.

3. (U) Comments on "Deterring the Deployment and "Use" of Nuclear Weapons" Briefing.

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4. The J512 POC is CDR Scott Langdon 4-0560.



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Attachments:

- Enclosure 1 - Additional Protocol I to the Geneva Conventions (C)
- Enclosure 2 - Joint Chiefs of Staff Comments on the Protocol (C)

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