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NPR REPORT #69

By: Col Rhoades

Working Group: 5

MEETING SPECIFICS: 1300-1400, 9 Feb 94, Brown Room

ATTENDEES: Dr Wallerstein chaired meeting.

MEETING AGENDA/OBJECTIVES:

- Review acquisition, nuclear and chemical drafting group's work to date.

MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS:

- Col Shannahan provided his new "motivation to acquire" WMD paper per Dr Carter's 2 Feb guidance (Tab 1). It does not conform precisely with paper Dr Carter sited at 2 Feb meeting, but group believes it is as accurate as Carter/Fetter paper (Tab 2).

- Ms Woolf provided draft slides summarizing drafting group progress (Tab 3).

-- Dr Wallerstein emphasized for this piece of work we need to answer these questions:

--- Do other nuclear states or aspirants/] take notice of US nuclear weapons?

--- How do we get them to take notice of the US nuclear posture?

-- Little substantive disagreement on these slides except for last two slides. Group deferred use of these two charts/matrices until further discussion ensues.

- Mr Stephen's slide created heated debate especially with military representatives.

-- Major objection rested on OSD attempt to prioritize chemical within WMD as to its lethality and potential use and our potential response to such use. Bracketed area on slide highlighted major areas of disagreements/concerns.

-- Mr Stephens is making corrections to slides per discussions except in special considerations area. JCS/J-5/Army/STRATCOM reps stated that this section must go forward as bracketed if slide remains as written. Dr Wallerstein agreed. Col Shannahan has drafted a memo to Generals Tolin and Admire on this issue in preparation for Carter's WG 5 review.

SIGNIFICANT OUTCOMES:

- Drafting group slides are being vetted; however, in this case, it's because Dr Carter could only meet with group for one hour last week vice three hours scheduled.

- Col Shannahan's memo to DJ-5.

WHAT'S NEXT:

- Next meeting: 10 Feb 94, 1400-1500, review biological and terrorism drafting reports..

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- Dr Carter review scheduled for 1115-1315 11 Feb; however, due to DC ice storm, meeting canceled. New date TBD.

OTHER: None.

4 Tabs

1. Col Shannahan's Paper (U)
2. Dr Carter/Dr Fetter's Paper (S/NF)
3. Ms Woolf's Paper - Nuclear (S)
4. Mr Stephens' Paper - Chemical (S/NF)

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