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attached are:

By sig, NARA, Date 2-14-99

1. My memo to Gen Wheeler raising the question as to whether contingency nuclear planning was in order. (NO reference to White House)
2. Gen Wheeler's message to CINCPAC and Gen Westmoreland raising the question on a close hold basis.
3. Admiral Sharp's message stating that such planning had already been instituted prior to receipt of Gen Wheeler's message - under strictest security.

No distribution of any of these was made outside Gen Wheeler's immediate office. I am under the impression that Gen Wheeler's reply to McNamara on the "source outside the Pentagon" referred to Thurmond's question rather than ~~from~~ the planning exercise got started.

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