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August 14, 1972

National Security Decision Memorandum 184

TO: The Secretary of State
 The Secretary of Defense
 The Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness
 The Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare
 The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission

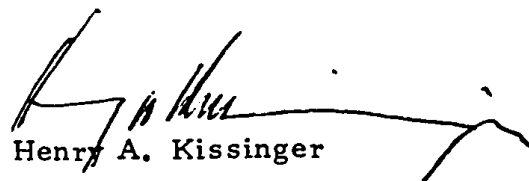
SUBJECT: United States Civil Defense Policy

The President has reviewed the Ad Hoc Group's response to NSSM 57, U.S. civil defense policy, and the views of the interested agencies.

The President has:

- Decided that the U.S. shall maintain the current overall level of effort in its civil defense activities.

- Directed that there be increased emphasis on dual-use plans, procedures and preparedness within the limitations of existing authority, including appropriate related improvements in crisis management planning.


Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Director of Central Intelligence
 The Director, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency
 The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
 The Director, Office of Management and Budget
 The President's Science Adviser

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