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The United States Representative to the
United Nations

GENERAL JOHN W. VESSEY, JR.
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT: National Security Decision Directive on
United States Security Strategy for the Near East
and South Asia (S)

Attached is the Decision Directive pursuant to yesterday's National
Security Council meeting. (U)


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National Security Decision
Directive Number 99

United States Security Strategy for
the Near East and South Asia (S)

The recent National Security Study, NSSD-4/82, reaffirmed the basic soundness of the purposes and objectives of our National Security Policy toward the Near East and South Asia. The derivative and complementary regional security interests, objectives and strategy outlined in NSSD-4 are approved and restated herewith: (U)

U.S. Regional Interests

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U.S. Regional Security Objectives

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-- to obtain a comprehensive lasting peace between Israel and her Arab neighbors and the resolution of the Palestinian problem based upon the principles outlined by the President on September 1, 1982. (U)

-- to help resolve other regional conflicts that threaten our interests. (U)

-- to strengthen regional stability by measures to improve economic conditions and indigenous defense capabilities. (U)

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Threats to U.S. Interests and Objectives

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Strategic Planning for the Near East and South Asia

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-- the technological, industrial, economic and military strength which the US can bring to bear to assist other countries. (U)

Strategic Concept for Near-Term Planning

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Cooperation with Other Countries

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-- Cooperation with Arab Powers. [

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