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SUBJECT: Current Status of US/UK SDI Cooperation

The final report on the US/UK Joint Working Group on SDI participation has just been completed and forwarded to Secretary Weinberger. The working group developed the following documents during their negotiations:

- a joint report (I have a copy)
- a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on SDI cooperative research
- draft Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) concerning two of the seven project test cases (previously referred to as pathfinder proposals)
- five descriptions of the remaining project test cases

The three major issues left unresolved by the negotiations are:

- guaranteed scope of work; UK wants \$1.5B over the next five years and an up front commitment by the US in the placement of work in all areas of SDI
- guaranteed contracting channels, sole source contracts
- unhampered export of technical data, as was done in the Trident II (D5) program

The next likely steps include a possible discussion of the overall program between Mrs. Thatcher and the President and a meeting between Minister Heseltine and Secretary Weinberger at the NPG Ministerial on 29/30 October.

I will continue to track any developments and provide recommendations to you for your trip to the UK in early November.