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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: Multi-Service Base Development on Tinian

I have accepted the JCS recommendations stated in JCSM-448-74 and JCSM-482-74 that development of a multi-Service base on Tinian be limited at this time to planning, land acquisition and modest improvements to the existing harbor and airfield. DoD will continue to review requirements for future development as the situation in WESTPAC warrants.

I request that, with help from the other Services as necessary, you conduct a study to determine the level of upgrading of the airfield and port necessary to provide a capability for rapid expansion. The study should include recommended improvements similar to those envisioned in Phase II of the Crested Isle Programming Plan together with estimated costs, schedules, and an assessment of the extent to which DoD construction capabilities can and should be used. The study should also evaluate and list separately the cost of improvements to the airfield and port which will be useful to and desired by the local population; the ASD(ISA) will provide a list of these improvements to be considered.

I would like to receive your completed study by March 1, 1975, so that DoD planning is firm before hearings begin on the MILCON portion of the FY 76 budget requests.

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Deputy

- * Enclosure A to JCS 2326/114
- ** Enclosure to JCS 2326/114-2

cc: ✓ Chairman, JCS
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