

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Multi-Service Base Development on Tinian

I have reviewed JCSM-448-74* and JCSM-482-74** and accept your recommendations that development of a multi-Service base on Tinian at this time be limited to planning, land acquisition and modest improvements to the existing harbor and airfield. However, planning will be limited to that necessary to insure that near-term actions do not jeopardize future base development. DoD will continue to review requirements for future development as the situation in WESTPAC warrants. Ambassador Williams has already been notified of these changes in DoD planning.

I am asking the Secretary of the Air Force, with help from other Services as necessary, to conduct a study to determine the level of upgrading of the airfield and port necessary to provide a capability for rapid expansion. I have requested that the study be completed by March 1, 1975, in order that DoD plans can be determined before hearings begin on the MILCON portion of the FY 76 budget request.

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

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