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Dear Bus:

I have read with great interest the 1964 Report of the Net Evaluation Subcommittee. The report raises a number of questions of interest and importance with respect to our posture in Europe. The report differs from the reports of earlier years in that it does not evaluate a model war situation, and in this respect it seems to me to have given a different interpretation than usual to the directive approved by the President. This situation seems to me to reinforce the suggestion in your letter of October 15 that if there is to be an oral briefing for the President, it could appropriately come later in the year when related studies and actions now underway in the DOD may also be ready for report.

I therefore concur in your recommendation that a copy of the report be furnished to the Secretary of Defense, and I request that you furnish such a report to him. I also believe that the material in this year's report would be of great interest to the Secretary of State, and I recommend that a copy be furnished to him as well. Your own long covering letter submitted as Chairman of the Net Evaluation Subcommittee seems to me to be also of great interest and value, and I hope it too may be made available to the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense.

Sincerely,

McGeorge Bundy

General Earle G. Wheeler  
Chairman  
Net Evaluation Subcommittee

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