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Summary:

The Joint Chiefs sent General Lemnitzer this outline of the current plans to remove the Jupiter missiles. The main points are that the Jupiters should be inactivated by April 1 (although that was more likely for Italy than for Turkey), that one Polaris submarine should be in the Mediterranean by March 28 and a second one by April 10, that the JCS are taking steps to retarget weapons for when the Jupiters are offline, and that guidance on the Italian and Turkish role in the targeting of Polaris missiles has been prepared.

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1. You are familiar with the ISA memorandum dated 10 January which reported the intention to initiate the dismantling of the JUPITERS by 1 April and to proceed expeditiously thereafter.

2. Concurrent with the dispatch of the aforementioned memorandum, the Assistant Secretary of Defense (ISA) requested the JCS to prepare an outline plan for withdrawal of the JUPITERS beginning 1 April 1963. It is anticipated that the JCS will review this plan and submit it to SecDef ^{in a few days} ~~by 1 February~~. A copy of the outline

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plan will be forwarded to you when ready.

3. The following guidance is provided for planning purposes:

a. The assumption should be made that the JUPITER missiles in Turkey and Italy will be inactivated on 1 April 1963. This is very likely to be the case in Italy and not unlikely for Turkey. However, the missiles in Turkey may in fact be inactivated a few days or weeks later (for example, there may be a decision to allow a port call in Turkey by one submarine after the second submarine has arrived in the Mediterranean but before the Turkish JUPITERS are inactivated).

b. You can count on one POLARIS submarine in the Mediterranean on 28 March 1963 and the second on 10 April 1963. A third submarine will be available later. Hence you can plan on having one or two submarines on station in the Mediterranean at a time.

c. The JCS are taking steps to retarget weapons so that the targets uncovered by the JUPITER inactivation are programmed for missile attack. As pointed out in para 7, reference b and para 3a, reference c, there will be no reduction in the present expectation of timely damage to the ACE targets presently covered by the JUPITERS. Specific targeting data must await completion

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of the retargeting effort currently underway at DSTP.

4. Guidance concerning Turkish and Italian participation in SACEUR targeting, promised by SecDef in his letters to the MODs of Turkey and Italy, dated 5 January 1963, is contained in reference d.

5. US planning with respect to bilateral steps and preparations for formal consultation with SACEUR and NAC are described in reference e. Gp-1.

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