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NOTE BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY to the NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

on

U. S. FOLICY IN MAINLAND SOUTHEAST ASIA

References:

- A. NSC 5405
- B. NSC Actions Nos. 1526-b and 1527-c
- c. NSC 5429/5, paragraph 5-d
- D. NSC 5429/5, Annex A
- E. NSC Action No. 1415-c
- F. NSC Action No. 1571
- G. Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "U. S. Policy in the Event of a Renewal of Aggression in Vietnam", dated September 16, 1955
- H. Progress Report, dated July 11, 1955, by OCB on NSC 5405 and Portions of NSC 5429/5
- I. NSC 5610
- J. NSC 5612
- K. NSC Action No. 1599

The National Security Council, the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Acting Secretary of Commerce, the Special Assistant to the President for Disarmament, and the Director, Bureau of the Budget, at the 295th Council meeting on August 30, 1956, adopted the statement of policy on the subject contained in NSC 5612, subject to the amendments thereto which are set forth in NSC Action No. 1599-b.

The President has this date approved the statement of policy in NSC 5612, as amended and adopted by the Council and enclosed herewith as NSC 5612/1; directs its implementation by all appropriate Executive departments and agencies of the U. S. Government; and designates the Operations Coordinating Board as the coordinating agency.

The enclosed statement of policy, as adopted and approved, supersedes NSC 5405 and Annex A of NSC 5429/5.

JAMES S. LAY, JR. Executive Secretary

cc: The Secretary of the Treasury

The Attorney General

The Secretary of Commerce

The Special Assistant to the President for Disarmement

The Director, Bureau of the Budget

The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

The Director of Central Intelligence