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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 191

TO: Secretary of Defense
Secretary of Commerce
Administrator, National Aeronautics and
Space Administration
Director, Bureau of the Budget
Director, Office of Emergency Planning

SUBJECT: Assignment of Highest National Priority to
Project DEFENDER

In response to a recommendation by the Department of Defense,
the President under the authority granted by the Defense
Production Act of 1950 today established the program listed
below as being in the highest national priority category for
research and development:

Project DEFENDER

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US ARCHIVIST (MLK-21-37)
By [initials] NARS, Date 7/17/81

Carl Kaysen
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Information copy to:

Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission
Director, Office of Science and Technology

cc:

Mrs. Lincoln
Mr. Bundy (3) ✓
Mr. Kaysen
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