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Mr. W. Park Armstrong  
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Department of State  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

This is in reference to your letter of 12 December 1950, suggesting pertinent modifications in the charts of comparative USSR-U.S. strength. We have been able to make certain of the changes which you suggest. This includes indicating the proportions of the total potential derived from the U.S. and from other areas.

As you will note, we have also made certain changes which will allow the holders of the book to draw their own conclusions should certain portions of the world be overrun in the early stages of any war. However, as I may have mentioned, it is our plan to make frequent revisions in the book so that it will be maintained on an up-to-date basis.

Sincerely,

Walter B. Smith  
Director

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MEMORANDUM TO: Director

Mr. Armstrong suggested differentiating among our allies between those susceptible of immediate military occupation and those not susceptible.

Our changes, showing a breakdown of US, UK, and others, go part way toward accomplishing this. Revising this periodically will do the rest.

Recommend signature.

  
L.B.K.

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