Approved For Release 2004/03/16: CIA-RDP80M00165A001500050 14-9 Registry DDI # 1677-77 21 April 1977 MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence SUBJECT: Release of Unclassified Civil Defense Report 1. Action Requested: A discussion by you with Secretary Vance regarding the unclassified release of the Civil Defense Report. Background: I was called at noon by Roger Kirk (Deputy Director, INR) who said he was calling on behalf of Secretary Vance to request that you delay the publication of the unclassified Civil Defense Report until you and the Secretary could discuss the subject again. 3. It seems that prior to your previous discussion with the Secretary, INR had not been able to express their reservations to him concerning the They are essentially two: (1) they feel that we should not release an unclassified version on a subject which is under consideration by a US/USSR working group (Civil Defense); (2) there is a feeling (which I do not share) that the draft overstates the magnitude of the Soviet civil defense program. 4. I told Roger that I would relay his message to you and also informed him that a revised draft was to be circulated to NFIB principals for comment. 25X1 Paul V. Walsh Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence Distribution: Orig - DCI 5-17.3 1 - DDCI ER

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MEMORANDUM FOR NFIB PRINCIPALS

FROM:

Walter Elder

Executive Secretary

SUBJECT:

Soviet Civil Defense

1. The Director of Central Intelligence requests in the enclosed memorandum that you review the attached, revised statement on the subject.

URGENT NFIB ACTION REQUESTED

2. You are requested to telephone your concurrence to the Executive Secretary by noon, 27 April 1977.

Walter Elder

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