MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ACTION
May 3, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: Spurgeon Keeny

SUBJECT: Seabed Nuclear Arms Control Treaty

Attached for your signature is a memorandum for the President forwarding Secretary Laird's memorandum concerning the Department of Defense's position on the Draft Treaty on Seabed Nuclear Arms Control.

On the basis of this memorandum, Mort Halperin and I believe that the President should authorize presentation of the Draft Treaty, incorporating all of the treaty language proposed by Laird and Wheeler, at the ENDC after appropriate consultation with our allies.

Given the fact Laird and Wheeler recognize that our position may have to be broadened during the course of the negotiation, we believe that the proposed DOD-JCS treaty language should be acceptable to ACDA and State as an initial position.

You may wish to talk with Secretary Rogers and Gerry Smith about this proposal before submitting it to the President.

Recommendation: That you sign the attached memorandum for the President at Tab A.

Attachment:
Memo for HAK signature
w/four tab attachments

Clearance: MHHalperin(sub)