ORGANIZATION FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

AS SET FORTH IN THE NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947 AS AMENDED

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

THE NATIONAL MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

MISSION

Advise the President on integration of domestic, foreign and military policy.

DUTIES

1. Recommend action re U.S. actual and potential military power, based on objectives, commitments and risks.
2. Recommend action re matters of common interest to federal activities concerned with national security.

MEMBERSHIP

Permanent: The President
Secretaries of: State, Defense, Army, Navy, Air Force
Chairman, National Security Resources Board
Optional: Secretaries of executive departments
Chairman, Munitions Board
Chairman, Research and Development Board

Executive Secretary: SIDNEY W. SOUERS

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

MISSION

Coordinate intelligence activities of federal agencies concerned with national security.

DUTIES

1. Advise National Security Council on national security intelligence activities of federal departments and agencies.
2. Recommend necessary coordination of such activities to National Security Council.
3. Correlate, evaluate and disseminate national security intelligence.
4. Render intelligence services for other federal departments and agencies.

Director:
REAR ADM. R. H. HILLENKOETTER

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

MISSION

Serve as principal assistant to the President in all national security matters.

DUTIES

1. Establish general policies and programs for the National Military Establishment.
2. Exercise general direction, authority and control over the Establishment.
3. Eliminate unnecessary duplication or overlap in procurement, supply, transportation, storage, health and research.
4. Supervise and coordinate budget matters of the component activities under the National Military Establishment.

LOUIS JOHNSON

UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Responsible for the supervision and coordination of the activities of the National Military Establishment as directed by the Secretary of Defense. Acts for, and exercises the power of, the Secretary of Defense during his absence or disability.

STEPHEN T. EARLY

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS

- W. J. McNEIL
- MARX LEVA
- JOHN OHLY

NATIONAL SECURITY RESOURCES BOARD

MISSION

Advise the President re coordination of military, industrial and civilian mobilization.

DUTIES

Develop policies and programs for:

1. Manpower mobilization.
2. Effective war-time use of resources, balancing military and civilian requirements.
3. Unified war-time federal effort in production, procurement, distribution, transportation of military and civilian supplies, materials and products.
4. Determining status of potential war-time supply versus needs for manpower, resources and productive facilities.
5. Strategic and critical material reserves and their conservation.
6. Strategic relocation of key industrial, service, government and economic activities.

MEMBERSHIP

Heads of such federal departments and agencies as the President directs.
Presently:
Secretaries of: State, Treasury, Defense, Interior, Agriculture, Commerce, and Labor.

Acting Chairman: JOHN R. STEELMAN

JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

MISSION

Principal military advisors to the President and SecDefense.

DUTIES

1. Strategic planning for and direction of military forces.
2. Joint logistic plans and assignment of logistic responsibility to services thereunder.
3. Establish necessary unified commands in strategic areas.
4. Formulate joint training policies.
5. Formulate coordinating education policy for services.
6. Review major military material and personnel requirements under strategic and logistic plans.
7. Provide U.S. representation on Military Staff Committee of United Nations.

MEMBERSHIP

Chief of Staff to Commander-in-Chief
Chief of Staff, Army
Chief of Naval Operations
Chief of Staff, Air Force

JOINT STAFF

DUTIES

As directed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

MEMBERSHIP

Not to exceed a total of 100 officers from Army, Navy and Air Force; approximately equal numbers from each.

Staff Director:
MAJ. GEN. A. M. GRUENTHER, USA

WAR COUNCIL

MISSION

Advise SecDefense on broad armed forces policy matters.

MEMBERSHIP

SecDefense, Chairman
SecArmy, Navy, Air Force
Chief of Staff, Army
Chief of Naval Operations
Chief of Staff, Air Force

Secretary: JOHN SHERMAN

MUNITIONS BOARD

MISSION

Perform the following duties under SecDefense in support of JCS strategic and logistic plans:

DUTIES

1. Coordinate Nat. Mil. Estab. activities in industrial matters, their procurement, production and distribution plans.
2. Plan for military aspects of industrial mobilization.
3. Recommend inter-service procurement responsibility assignment; plan for specification standardization and for single purchase authority allocation.
4. Prepare potential production and personnel estimates for evaluating logistic feasibility of strategic operations.
5. Determine priorities within military procurement programs.
6. Supervise assigned subordinate agencies.
7. Recommend most efficient inter-service logistic organization.
8. Correlate and develop policies for military versus civilian requirements, particularly on strategic and critical material through liaison with other federal activities.
9. Reconcile JCS logistic requirements with those of supply agencies, recommending action to SecDefense.

MEMBERSHIP

Under or Asst. Secretary of Army, Navy, Air Force
Presently: Asst. Secretary, TRACY S. VOORHEES
Asst. Secretary, JOHN T. KOEHLER
Under Secretary, ARTHUR S. BARROWS

Chairman:

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT BOARD

MISSION

Advise SecDefense on status of scientific research in re national security and assure adequate provision for research and development on scientific problems in re national security.

DUTIES

1. Prepare integrated military research and development program.
2. Advise on scientific research trends re national security, and steps to assure constant progress.
3. Recommend research and development coordination among the services, and allocate responsibility for specific joint programs.
4. Formulate Nat. Mil. Estab. policy on research and development matters outside the Establishment.
5. Examine interaction of research and development and strategy, and advise JCS thereon.

MEMBERSHIP

Two representatives each from Army, Navy, Air Force, designated by the Secretaries of these departments.
Presently:
Army: GENERAL J. L. DEVERS
MAJ. GEN. CHARLES G. HELMICK
NAVY: VICE ADM. JOHN D. PRICE
REAR ADM. ALBERT G. NOBLE
AIR FORCE: GENERAL JOSEPH T. McNARNEY
BRIG. GEN. D. L. PUTT

Chairman: KARL T. COMPTON

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Secretary: GORDON GRAY

- Under Secretary
- Assistant Secretary
- Assistant Secretary — MR. TRACY S. VOORHEES
- Administrative Assistant — JOHN W. MARTYN

Chief of Staff
GENERAL OMAR N. BRADLEY

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Secretary: FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS

- Under Secretary — DAN A. KIMBALL
- Assistant Secretary for Air
- Assistant Secretary — JOHN T. KOEHLER
- Administrative Assistant — JOHN H. DILLON

Chief of Naval Operations
ADMIRAL LOUIS E. DENFELD

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

Secretary: W. STUART SYMINGTON

- Under Secretary — ARTHUR S. BARROWS
- Assistant Secretary
- Assistant Secretary — EUGENE M. ZUCKERT

Chief of Staff
GEN. HOYT S. VANDENBERG

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