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PHASE II

- 1. Deny entry of all Soviet shipping and aviation to the U.S.
- 2. Issue orders to appropriate commanders to seize or destroy USSR craft intruding on U.S. territory, airspace or waters.
- 3. Increase surveillance of Soviet fishing fleets and other shipping operating in the North Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, seeking a rationale for possible further actions at a later stage. Close "buzzing" may be required.
- 4. Conduct depth bombing exercises in areas where Soviet submarines might be maneuvering near U.S. fleet ships.

PHASE III

- 1. Harass Soviet and bloc international air traffic through the application of air defense and air traffic control measures.
- 2. Interfere with Soviet shipping on the high seas. This could involve a range of actions from boarding and searching to stoppage of all Soviet shipping.
- 3. As a single action in direct reprisal, give standing orders to CINCAL to seize or destroy a USSR military aircraft over international waters within 30 miles of U.S. territory, territorial waters or territorial airspace and outside USSR territory, territorial waters or airspace.
- 4. As a single action in direct reprisal, instruct appropriate U.S. unified commanders to flash JCS directly at every opportunity to seize or destroy USSR military aircraft or USSR surface craft over or in international waters within 30 miles of U.S. territory, territorial waters or airspace and execute on JCS command (which would be given only if CINCAL had been unable to comply with orders issued pursuant to the preceding paragraph).

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