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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDER, US STRATEGIC COMMAND

Subject: USSTRATCOM Request to Change the Name of the Single Integrated Operational Plan (SIOP) to Operations Plan (OPLAN) 8044

1. Thank you for your proposal to rename the SIOP.<sup>1</sup> I concur in your assessment that the term "SIOP" no longer accurately describes the scope of USSTRATCOM's new family of plans.
2. The proposed use of the term "Operations Plan 8044" alone as the new name for the SIOP raises concern about the potential for confusion among those responsible for the execution and maintenance of the plans. Specifically, it may be difficult to distinguish between the basic USSTRATCOM OPLAN 8044 and the combat employment portion of that OPLAN, currently known as the SIOP.
3. In an effort to meet the spirit and intent of the modification while reducing the potential for confusion, please continue to use the term "Operations Plan 8044" for the basic plan, and incorporate the term "Operations Plan 8044 Revision 03" to describe that portion currently known as the SIOP. Subsequent revisions will reflect the year of publication.

  
RICHARD B. MYERS  
Chairman  
of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

## Reference:

- 1 USSTRATCOM memorandum, undated, "USSTRATCOM Request to Change the name of the Single Integrated Operational Plan (SIOP) to Operations Plan 8044"

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