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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

THROUGH: UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION AND  
TECHNOLOGY

SUBJECT: Ballistic Missile Defense Organization FY 1998-1999  
President's Budget (PB)--INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

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I anticipate that Congress may again add resources to selected programs causing outyear program instability. Additionally, I am concerned that the absence of a Medium Extended Air Defense System outyear funding level in the PB will prompt Congressional reductions jeopardizing the schedule for this important international cooperative effort. Finally, the last minute realignment by Program Budget Decision 224C3 of BMDO Procurement Appropriations to the Services causes some management concerns. In this regard, I am continuing to follow the authorities and responsibilities of the BMDO Charter. Accordingly, I have provided the Services with the justification materials for the BMD procurement portions of their budget submissions. The Program Overview and appropriate exhibits are at Tab A.

Attachments:  
As stated

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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FROM: DIRECTOR, BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZATION  
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SUBJECT: Ballistic Missile Defense Organization (BMDO)  
FY 1998 President's Budget Submission (PB)--  
INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

PURPOSE: Provide the BMDO transmittal memorandum and PB for  
FY 1998.

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COORDINATION: The BMDO FY 1998 President's Budget was prepared IAW DOD 7000.14-R, dated May 1994.