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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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All Policy Officers

FROM:

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DENMARK -- In reponse to a question, Redman said the U.S. is "deeply distressed" at the resolution passed by the Danish parliament whcih requires that the Danish government specifically inform visiting naval vessels of that country not accepting nuclear weapons on Denmark's territory. He said this conflicts with U.S. policy of neither confirming nor denying the presence of nuclear weapons aboard its ships. The Spokesman also stressed NATO's security is undercut by this resolution because "the strategy of flexible response has a nuclear component." He stated that the U.S. and Danish governments, together with other NATO allies, would be reviewing the implications of this development in terms of the NATO alliance and continued defense cooperation with Denmark.

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