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My dear Admiral Leahy:

The President has directed me to assemble for him certain facts and information regarding the Soviet Union. He has directed me to request the Joint Chiefs of Staff to supply the following information:

1. Texts of the military agreements made between the United States and the Soviet Union from 1941 to the present;
2. A commentary on the manner in which these military agreements have been carried out or violated by the Soviet Union, and also, if the Joint Chiefs of Staff possess the information, a statement of violations of a military nature of political agreements of the United States and the Soviet Union;
3. Recent activities of the Soviet Union which affect the security of the United States;
4. An estimate of the policy of the Soviet Union with respect to the United Nations;
5. Estimates of the present and future military policies of the Soviet Union, and
6. Recommended ~~course of action~~ ^{military policy} to be followed by the United States with respect to the Soviet Union.

Inasmuch as the President hopes that most of this information will be in his hands before the convening of the Peace Conference in Paris on 29 July 1946, it will be appreciated if this request is considered a matter of urgency and if the reports on these subjects are submitted to me prior to that date.

Very truly yours,

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