

From review of "Papers on the War," by Daniel Ellsberg:

..... In the Government, says Ellsberg, there "is a need not to know." Unpleasant realities are often ignored; critical data often go ungathered. He notes that in 1968, at Henry Kissinger's request, he drew up a list of all the conceivable options open to the U.S. in Viet Nam. They began with using nuclear weapons and ended with an immediate and complete pullout. But says Ellsberg, by the time Nixon got the list, the last option had been deleted as inconceivable.

(Did nuclear weapons remain on the list?)