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ITALY

BULLET PAPER FOR ITALIAN BILATERAL

-- We want to retain Italian support on TNF modernization and keep Italy on schedule.

-- Italy should limit its nuclear cooperation with Iraq and avoid nuclear cooperation with Libya.

-- Encourage Italy's solid support for our East-West policies including Poland, defense issues, Afghanistan, technology transfer.

-- Prevent Italy from being tempted to join in Mid-East initiatives not coordinated with U.S.

-- Elicit Italian support for Southwest Asia contingency planning.

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BULLET PAPER ON BILATERAL WITH THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

-- Schmidt's government could be in trouble as a result of necessary budget cuts. The issue will come to a head this fall over the 1982 budget debate.

-- Schmidt needs to be able to demonstrate that the U.S. is moving forward on LRTNF negotiations with the Soviet Union if he is to manage politically LRTNF deployment in Germany.

-- We need FRG agreement on controlling trade with the USSR, especially in items which could be militarily significant. We continue to believe that the question of dependence on Soviet energy supplies has not been sufficiently addressed and welcome continued discussions on this subject.

-- We must continue our preparations for contingencies in Poland; we recognize the importance of improvement in the Polish economic situation.

-- Germans will be concerned about implications which development of U.S.-Chinese relations might have for Soviet attitude toward Poland. We should make clear that this development is a logical and gradual one and that Soviet leaders should be able to understand it in that light.

-- U.S. and European efforts in the Middle East must remain complementary.

-- As the Reagan Administration's economic policies take effect, interest rates will begin to fall. It is only by pursuit of these policies that we will bring inflation under control.

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BILATERAL BRIEFER- FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

SETTING:

The Ottawa Economic Summit is the seventh in which Chancellor Schmidt has participated. This veteran of economic summitry feels he must return to Germany with demonstrable progress on economic issues, several of which can significantly affect his domestic political standing. Schmidt has often complained that high U.S. interest rates are dragging the German economy to a halt, a development which is straining the German domestic political fabric. In the 1982 budget round, which begins in September, social programs, the political basis of the Social Democratic Party, will necessarily have to be cut. Leading members of Schmidt's FDP coalition partners have already called for some cuts in social programs. The severity of the cuts would be ameliorated through improvements in the FRG economy--a precondition of which in Schmidt's view is a decrease in interest rates. Consequently, Schmidt will hope to develop a summit-seven policy which will contribute to economic recovery in the West in part through early relief from high interest rates. Schmidt will also need strong evidence that the U.S. is moving forward on LRTNF negotiations with the Soviet Union, especially in light of the recent trip to Moscow by former Chancellor and Chairman of the SPD Willy Brandt.

ISSUES:

Relations with the USSR

U.S. Objectives: To seek agreement on goals in dealing with the Soviet Union and cooperation on implementing Allied approaches to the USSR. We will argue that trade with the Soviet Union must be regulated, especially targeting those areas of trade which are militarily significant to the Soviet Union.

FRG Objective: To ensure a dialogue between the United States and the Soviet Union as well as to deflect efforts to restrict East-West economic relations.

The Germans are very much concerned about actions which might tip the scale in favor of military intervention in Poland. They are worried, in this connection over the appearance of the U.S. and China "ganging up" on the USSR, and Schmidt may well raise the Secretary's recent trip in this vein.

Schmidt will also argue that limiting trade with the Soviet Union for political ends is fruitless and that efforts should be made to ensure a Soviet stake in the continued stability of Central Europe. He will argue that Europeans are more energy dependent than the U.S. and consequently must achieve maximum

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diversification to obtain energy necessary for their survival (e.g., the Soviet/West European natural gas pipeline project). At the same time he recognizes the importance of developing a safety net to reduce vulnerability and avoid dependence upon Soviet energy supplies and will probably welcome continued discussions with the United States and the other Western European participants. For our part, we are deeply concerned with the security implications of the pipeline project.

Poland

U.S. Objectives: To ensure continued German support for Western efforts to stabilize the Polish economy and to maintain a strong unified posture on Allied contingency measures in the event of Soviet intervention in Poland.

FRG Objective: To keep the United States as deeply involved in Poland as possible, including the provision of monetary support.

The Germans have supported our efforts to reschedule Polish debt and, given their financial stake in the Polish economy, can be expected to continue to press for full participation by all creditors to stabilize the economic situation there. We have also been working closely in NATO to prepare contingency measures in the event of a Soviet intervention. While the Germans have generally cooperated in this process, they have expressed concern about possible leaks concerning planning and have resisted some measures which we have suggested.

The Middle East

U.S. Objectives: To ensure that U.S. and FRG actions in the Middle East are broadly compatible and provide our assessment of the current situation in the Middle East.

FRG Objectives: To reassure us regarding FRG policies while avoiding specific undertakings and to seek U.S. views on the Middle East situation.

The Lebanon crisis and the Israeli strike against the Iraqi reactor have added to European concerns that our efforts to move the peace process forward have been insufficient. In obtaining our assessment, they will pressure us to be more forceful with the Israeli government. We will want to stress the importance of strengthening the Camp David peace process and assuring that U.S. and European efforts in the Middle East are complementary.

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TNF Modernization and Arms Control

U.S. Objectives: To keep the NATO TNF dual decision on track and to reassure the FRG that the U.S. is committed to the SALT process.

FRG Objectives: To ensure U.S.-Soviet negotiations on LRTNF begin before the end of 1981, thereby allowing the Schmidt government to manage the TNF modernization and deployment process politically in the FRG, and to keep the dual-decision from being damaged.

Following Schmidt's threat to resign if his party withdrew its support for TNF and after his trip to the United States, Schmidt's political problems relating to the NATO TNF decision appear to be more under control. However, there is still strong opposition to TNF in the FRG and Schmidt will be looking to us for concrete examples to which he can point in demonstrating that the U.S. and the Soviet Union will be negotiating on TNF by year's end. In practice, this means by November for the FRG, since the Bonn coalition anticipates a serious internal debate on the German budget in early December which could be exacerbated by anti-TNF strains within Schmidt's SPD.

Central America

U.S. Objective: To seek FRG cooperation in moving towards an electoral solution in El Salvador.

FRG Objectives: To assist U.S. efforts to find a political solution in El Salvador and avoid having El Salvador become a contentious issue in U.S.-FRG relations.

We have consulted frequently with the Germans on Central America. While Schmidt has been silent on the subject, the SPD has sought, unhelpfully, to promote negotiations between the Salvadoran government and the opposition FDR. The FRG has condemned communist intervention in El Salvador but, due largely to SPD opposition, has not resumed an economic assistance program or returned an Ambassador to San Salvador.

Southern Africa

U.S. Objectives: We are committed to an internationally-acceptable settlement in Namibia based upon UNSCR 435. However, we believe that 435 must be strengthened with additional elements such as prior consideration of constitutional issues to increase the confidence of all parties, in particular the South Africans.

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FRG Objectives: The Germans are anxious to attain an internationally-acceptable settlement in Namibia as soon as possible based as closely as possible on UN Security Council Resolution 435. Genscher has made clear that Bonn has no interest in embarking on new and protracted negotiations with the South Africans as if nothing had previously been negotiated or decided.

The Germans have watched closely the efforts of the new Administration to deal with South Africa on Namibia. In particular, they want to know how much of 435 is left before they commit themselves to a renewed Contact Group effort. We should be addressing this concern in advance of the Ottawa Summit.

China

U.S. Objectives: To clarify the U.S. position on weapons sales to China and the parameters of our strategic cooperation.

FRG Objectives: To determine the U.S. position on such sales, and the basic principles of U.S.-China policy.

During Secretary Haig's trip to China in June, he announced that the U.S. would consider the sale of weapons to China on a case-by-case basis. Several NATO countries (not including the FRG) have followed such a policy for several years, but few sales have resulted. We have also loosened our controls on the export of dual-use technology to reflect our friendly relations with China. It is in our interest to assist China in its modernization effort and, of course, we will continue to take into account the concerns of our Allies and traditional friends, consulting closely on major developments.

Interest Rates

U.S. Objective: To explain the Administration's commitment to fighting inflation through the implementation of the President's economic package.

FRG Objective: To encourage U.S. policies which will reduce the interest rate level.

Chancellor Schmidt is faced with a budgetary crisis in Germany this year, along with a recession and a falling Deutsche Mark. The latter two developments limit the ability of the German Federal government to deal with its economic problems. Schmidt will be looking for U.S. agreement to pursue policies which will result in lower interest rates, thereby permitting stimulation of the German economy, increased tax revenues, less

unemployment compensation, etc. This would ease Federal government efforts to cut social programs and ameliorate the domestic political budget debate. It would also make it easier for the Germans to avoid a showdown on the guns vs. butter aspect of the budget debate.

Host Nation Support

U.S. Objective: To assure that discussions continue on both wartime and peacetime Host Nation Support.

FRG Objective: To avoid a commitment of expenditure of funds on our Host Nation Support initiatives.

The U.S. should welcome the progress made on wartime Host Nation Support and keep our efforts and discussions alive on peacetime Host Nation Support. Schmidt was very negative in his discussions with the Secretary of Defense on the latter issue and we risk a final no if we pressure him at this time. We should make clear that we are not suggesting an offset program but hope to make progress on these issues when the economic situation in the FRG improves.

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