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WASHINGTON

INFORMATION

FROM:

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Briefing Material for Meeting and Dinner with Prince Charles

Attached are materials for Friday's 15-minute office visit

-- "Ice-breaking" questions (Tab 1)

- -- State Department Briefing paper and Biographic data (Tab 2)
- -- Prince Charles' itinerary in the United States (Tab 3).

The proposed toast for Saturday night has been forwarded by speechwriters under separate cover.

Although there will be some overlap, I suggest that during the office visit you raise the more substantive discussion topics (Australian and New Zealand attitudes, Northern Ireland, U.S.-U.K. relations, counter-terrorism), and at the dinner conversation the more general topics (the Prince's perceptions of American attitudes, British perseverance in adversity).

One subject not addressed in the State Department materials is a possible invitation by Prince Charles to his wedding. So far neither the British government nor the Royal Family has given us any indication as to who, if anyone, may be invited from this country. Prince Charles may extend an invitation personally during one of his meetings with you.

You should be aware that the only new reports that have come to this country of the earlier stops on Prince Charles' trip have been about his falling off a polo pony in Australia, and the Queen and Lady Diana's concern that he be in one piece for his wedding.

"ICE-BREAKING" QUESTIONS

What are current attitudes in Australia and New Zealand toward Southeast Asia?

What are the long-term prospects for a peaceful solution to the Northern Ireland problem?

What are the attitudes in Venezuela towards Cuba and towards U.S. Central American policy?

What sort of changes in American attitudes has Prince Charles noticed during visits here in recent years?

`Is the well-known British ability to endure adverse conditions cheerfully being severely tested by the present economic difficulties?

What advice can Prince Charles offer to a new Administration on pitfalls to avoid in relations with Great Britain?

In what ways does the Royal Family use its symbolic and ceremonial powers to help solve the United Kingdom's problems?

What more can our two countries do to combat world terrorism, which has taken its toll on citizens of both our countries?

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

BRIEFING PAPER

PRIVATE VISIT OF PRINCE CHARLES

Prince Charles, Prince of Wales and the heir apparent to the British throne, will make a private visit to Washington and Virginia from April 30 to May 3. Prior to his arrival, the Prince will have visited New Zealand, Australia and Venezuela. He will return directly to the UK on May 3.

The Prince will receive an honorary degree from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, visit SACLANT in Norfolk, and be the guest of honor at the annual Oxford and Cambridge dinner in Washington.

The Prince will make a brief courtesy call on the President at 12:15 p.m. on May 1. He will also be the guest of honor at a dinner given by the President and Mrs. Reagan on May 2. Both the Vice President and Mrs. Bush and the Secretary and Mrs. Haig will see Prince Charles at a luncheon at the British Ambassador's residence on May 1.

While he is a frequent visitor to the US, Prince Charles' last visit to the White House was in July 1970, when he and Princess Anne were the guests of Miss Tricia Nixon and Mr. and Mrs. David Eisenhower.

The Prince has completed his formal training preparatory to assuming the British throne. He occupies himself primarily with official duties and travels on behalf of his country and the Queen. Prince Charles will marry Lady Diana Spencer on July 29.

The Prince is regularly briefed on international affairs. He will meet with British Embassy officials prior to calling on the President. At the same time, Prince Charles' position requires that any discussion of international affairs be both general and informal. The Prince will avoid being an advocate for any viewpoint or policy. He will not negotiate on an issue nor should specific requests be made of him.

The President may wish to give Prince Charles his general views on such subjects as:

- 1. US-UK Relations
- 2. His economic program
- 3. East-West relations

4. The Middle East

The President may wish to invite the Prince's observations

on:

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- His immediate impressions of New Zealand and Australia (the Prince studied in Australia and takes a keen interest in the country)
- 2. Prospects for the future of the Commonwealth in the light of the Prince's wide-ranging travels.

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VISIT OF

PRINCE CHARLES

APRIL 30 TO MAY 3, 1981

Thursday, April 30

Arrive at Andrews AFB. Met by Ambassador 3:30 p.m. Annenberg, Chief of Protocol. Proceed to British Ambassador's Residence.

Evening

Private dinner at Residence (During his stay in Washington, Prince Charles will stay at the British Ambassador's Residence)

Friday, May 1

•	10:30	a.m noon	Visit Air and Space Museum
	12:15	p.m.	Call on President Reagan
•	12:45	p.m.	Luncheon hosted by UK Ambassador Henderson at Residence
	3:45	p.m.	Evensong presided over by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Washington Cathedral
	5:15	p.m.	United World Colleges Meeting, UK Ambassador's Residence
	7:30	p.m.	Oxford and Cambridge Club Dinner, International Club
Satu	urday, M	May 2	
	8:30	a.m.	Depart Reflecting Pool via Presidential Helicopter for SACLANT, Norfolk
	9:45	a.m.	-Visit SACLANT, including USS Nimitz
	12:30	p.m.	Arrive Williamsburg. Visit College of William and Mary
	3:45	p.m.	Depart Williamsburg via Presidential Helicopter
	4:45	p.m.	Arrive Washington
	7:30	p.m.	Dinner at White House

Sunday, May 3

9:30 a.m. Depart from Andrews AFB for London

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

April 30, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM:

DENNIS C. BLANDS

Briefing Material for the President's Meeting SUBJECT: and Dinner with Prince Charles

Attached for your signature is a memo to the President forwarding briefing materials for the two visits by Prince Charles to the White House.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorat Tab I.

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Disapprove

CC: Charles Tyson

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

April 29, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Private Visit of Prince Charles

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L. Paul Bremer III Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

- 1. Briefing paper
- 2. Schedule
- 3. Toast
- 4. Biographic Sketch

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

April 20, 1981

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

THROUGH: CHARLES P. TYSON FROM: DENNIS C. BLAIR

SUBJECT: Speechwriters Toast and Background Notes on Prince Charles' Visit

The proposed text of the toast looks OK with one exception; on the second page, fist line, change "was" to "were."

The fact sheet does complement the briefing notes prepared by State.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the materials in Ken Khachigian's memo.

Approve

Disapprove

THE WHITE HOUSE

DENNIS BLAIR

WASHINGTON

April 30, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM: KENNETH L. KHACHIGIAN

SUBJECT: Prince Charles Visit

Here are two items for the Prince Charles visit. One is the toast, a combination of State's and ours. The other is a Fact Sheet we put together -- a bit more chatty and less official than your briefings, so they probably complement one another.

When you sign off, these will go into the President for Saturday's dinner.

(Parvin/KK)

FACT SHEET: PRINCE CHARLES

1. The Monarchy: The monarchy is Britain's oldest secular institution and in the last 1,000 years its continuity has been broken only once (from 1649-1660). The British people see the Crown as the living symbol of the nation's unity . . Prince Charles is the heir apparent to this great cohesive force.

2. <u>Titles</u>: <u>Charles' full name and titles indicate his</u> responsibilities and heritage. Charles Philip Arthur George Windsor is Knight of the Garter, Prince of Wales, Earl of Chester, Duke of Cornwall and Rothesay, Earl of Carrick, Baron Renfrew, Lord of the Isles and Great Steward of Scotland. What these titles bestow besides royal duties are tens of thousands of tax-free acres in the countryside and London.

3. Family: Charles' (32) closest friendships remain within his family. Closer to his mother in recent years because of their unique common fate -- the throne. Charles and Prince Philip warm companions of the outdoor life. Two brothers and one sister -- Andrew (21), Edward (17), and Anne (30). Very close to the late Earl Mountbatten, his father's uncle, who was killed by Irish terrorist bomb.

4. <u>Marriage</u>: Lady Diana Spencer (19), daughter of a wealthy earl, will become the Princess of Wales on July 29 in St. Paul's Cathedral. Will be the first Englishwoman to marry an heir to the throne in 300 years. England in love with this former kindergarten teacher -- copying her hairstyle and clothes.

Lady Di, as the press calls her, related not only to kings but to George Washington, an eighth cousin seven times removed. She is one-eighth American and genealogists trace her lines to a host of U.S. Presidents as well as Humphrey Bogart and Lillian Gish.

Press hounded Prince as he looked for wife: Diana --"I love working with children, and I have learned to be very patient with them. I simply treat the press as though they were children." Wise beyond her 19 years.

5. Education: Charles in training most of his life to become king. Attended boarding schools including Gordonstoun -- which stressed rugged sports, manual labor, rigid discipline. Students required to take two cold showers daily and adhere to strict honor system . . . Charles first member of royal family to hold a university degree (Trinity College at Cambridge where he studied history, archeology and anthropology). 6. Servi .: Served as officer in R. al Air Force and Royal Navy. Learned to fly supersonic jets and helicopters, parachute, and operate as frogman and commando. Once during a survival course in Australia, he even ate snake meat quipping: "Ah, the things I do for England."

7. Interests: Polo, salmon fishing, skiing, riding -recently taken some tumbles during steeplechase races; plays the cello and loves classical music, especially Mozart and Bach. Seldom reads novels but likes historical biographies and authors Aleksander Solzhenitsyn and E. F. Schumacher (Small is Beautiful).

Discovered acting interests in prep school playing in Richard III and Macbeth . . . and several reviews at Trinity College where he was described as a "<u>natural mimic</u> with a superb sense of timing."

The Prince is described as the right sort of person for a modern monarch -- hardworking, buoyant, cheerful, kind, with a deep sense of purpose. Yet is still of royal blood -since adulthood he has insisted on being called "Sir" even by dates.

8. Previous Trips to U.S.: Visited Washington in July 1970 as guest of the Nixon kids. Made a 1977 trip to Chicago, Cleveland, St. Louis, Atlanta, Houston, San Antonio, Los Angeles, San Francisco and former Ambassador Anne Armstrong's ranch.

In April 1980 the Prince suffered heat exhaustion while playing polo in Palm Beach.

9. Current Itinerary:

April 30 British Embassy dinner

May 1 Visit Air and Space Museum, 15-minute visit with President Reagan, return to Embassy for lunch (courtesy call from Sec. Haig), Washington Cathedral for Evening Song, dinner with Oxford and Cambridge International Club.

May 2 Tour U.S.S. Nimitz at Norfolk and colonial Williamsburg, receive Honorary Fellowship from William and Mary and present one millionth book (a history of the Windsor Family) to the College, dinner at the White House.

Will return to NYC on June 17 for gala performance of "Sleeping Beauty" by the Royal Ballet of Covent Garden, which is celebrating 50th anniversary.

10. <u>The Future</u>: After wedding, couple will live at Charles' recently-purchased 347-acre estate, Highgrove. Until he becomes Charles III, sees primary job as leadership --"to help push people along to be encouraged; to warn, advise, amuse . . . and generally being seen to show an interest." (Parvin/KK)

F il 30, 1981

TOAST: PRIVATE DINNER FOR PRINCE CHARLES, MAY 2, 1981 -

Your Royal Highness, Nancy and I want to extend a warm welcome to you on your visit to the White House.

Today you visited Williamsburg and the College of William and Mary. This historic town and college reflect the depth of the Anglo-American relationship. The College of William and Mary, the second oldest institution of higher learning in English-speaking America, was founded to promote higher education in a new land along the English model. It trained much of the early leadership of Virginia and the United States, including Thomas Jefferson.

Tonight, I reaffirm the close ties that were symbolized by your visit yesterday.

This House is always pleased to open its doors to a man possessing both a sense of humor and a sense of dignity. These qualities will serve you well in attending to the royal and matrimonial duties ahead.

Prince Charles is quoted as saying, "Were it not for my ability to see the funny side of life, I would have been committed to an institution long ago." And to prove his sense of humor, in one of his stage roles he was even pelted with pork pies. I've had a few reviews like that myself.

Yet he is also a man of innate dignity with a deep sense of his own purpose. He is an individual who carries with him the traditions of a great nation and a great ally of the United States. Page 2

And he is a man of curiosity and adventure. The Queen Mother has said, "If there was anything left to be discovered, Charles would have been an explorer."

Well, now he is about to explore a new world, one that will call upon his good humor, his dignity, and perhaps even his daring -- the world of marriage. But as Nancy and I will attest, it's a wonderful adventure.

All of us wish to congratulate Prince Charles on his good fortune and on England's. If America were any prouder of Lady Diana Spencer, we would be English. And we hope on your next trip we will have the honor of meeting the Princess of Wales.

I ask the guests now to honor His Royal Highness, Lady Diana, and their happy union by joining me in a toast to her Majesty the Queen. The Queen.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

April 29, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

CHARLES P. TYSON

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Prince Charles Dinner Guest List

Attached, for your information, is a copy of the dinner guest list for Prince Charles. This list has been distributed to the press.

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DINNER IN HONOR OF HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, PRINCE CHARLES ON MAY 2,

1981 - Saturday

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19/19/98 (A) THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. REAGAN His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales Mr. Michael Adeana The British Ambassador and Lady Henderson Ambassador and Mrs. John Louis (United States Ambassador to the Court of St. James) The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Annenberg Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mellon (patron of the arts; race authority; Anglophile) Mr. Bobby Short and guest (Miss Shelley Hack) Mr. and Mrs. Cary Grant (film actor and new wife) Mrs. Diana Vreeland (fashion authority; Metropolitan Museum of Art) Mrs. Evangeline Bruce (widow, Mr. David Bruce, former Ambassador to the U.K.) Mr. Galanos (fashion designer and personal friend of the President) Mr. Sammy Cahn (composer) Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bloomingdale (personal friend of the President) Mr. and Mrs. William Buckley (journalist and columnist) Mr. Jerome Zipkin (personal friend of the President) Mr. Ted Graber (personal friend) Mrs. Rupert Hambro (American, married to British Merchant Banker; personal friend of Prince Charles) Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Niven (son and daughter-in-law of actor, David Niven) Mrs. Zubin Mehta (wife of conductor of New York Philharmonic) Mrs. Andrey Hepburn (screen actress) Mr. Robert Walders (escort of Mrs. Hepburn)

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

THROUGH: CHARLES P. TYSON

FROM: DENNIS C. BLAIR

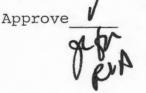
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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April 29, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN THE WHITE HOUSE

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- 2. Schedule
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- 4. Biographic Sketch

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

April 24, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR

L. Paul Bremer Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Prince Charles' Dinner with the President

It is requested that the State Department prepare appropriate briefing materials and a short toast for the President's use in the private dinner he and the First Lady are giving for Prince Charles on May 2. It would be appreciated if the materials are forwarded by COB Wednesday, April 29.

Allen J. Lenz Staff Director

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

April 24, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALLEN J. LENZ

FROM:

DENNIS C. BLAIR TO

SUBJECT: Prince Charles' Dinner with the President

Attached for your signature is a memo to State requesting a short briefing paper and proposed toast for the President's use in dining with Prince Charles next Saturday. I have called the U.K. desk at State and they know it is on the way.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo at Tab A.

Approve

Disapprove

29 APR 1981

THE WHITE HOUSE

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WASHINGTON

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DATE: 4/28/81

MEMORANDUM

TO: RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM: GREGORY J. NEWELL

SUBJ: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY.

PLEASE IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING AND SUBMIT BRIEFING PAPER AND REMARKS TO RICHARD DARMAN BY 3:00 P.M. OF THE PRECEDING DAY.

MEETING: with Prince Charles

DATE: May 1

TIME: 12:15 pm DURATION: 15 min (Changed from 12:00 as previously notified) LOCATION: Oval Office

REMARKS REQUIRED: NO

MEDIA COVERAGE: Coordinate with Press Office

FIRST LADY PARTICIPATION: Optional

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WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM

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DATE: May 1

TIME: 12:00 Noon

DURATION: 15 mins

LOCATION: Oval Office

REMARKS REQUIRED:

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

INFORMATION

April 28, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM:

SUBJECT: Your Meeting with U.S. Ambassador to the Court of St. James John Louis (U) (Tuesday, April 28 - 11:30 a.m.)

Our newly named Ambassador to the U.K. would most appreciate hearing (and make the best use of) your direct views on how the new NSC staff operates and how he as a senior field man should see his Mission in relation to that function. Though he will have had some perfunctory briefings at State, John is very much a new boy on the national security block and will welcome some insights from you concerning your concept of the NSC role and some suggestions on what the White House will be interested in seeing out of London. So far as the latter is concerned, I recommend you touch on the following items:

-- President's relationship with Mrs. Thatcher: It would be appropriate to underline with Louis the exceptionally good personal chemistry which developed between the two leaders, the keen interest which the President has in Thatcher's leadership, and our desire to build on that essential rapport.

-- Prospects for the Tories: This would be a natural follow-on to the above. Tell Louis that we will be interested in his Embassy's assessment of Thatcher policies and her capacity to bring them off, particularly in the economic area, which, despite facile press comparisons, is dissimilar to ours (sensitize him to the need for good, trend-oriented reporting from his Treasury and Econ/Commercial types that takes into account our own domestic environment).

-- U.S.-U.K. nuclear cooperation: TNF, the British Trident option, the need for a strong Brit contribution to the deterrent: these are interrelated subjects concerning whose evolution the Embassy will do well to keep us posted with timely, <u>policy-sensitive</u> reporting. We need early political warning on areas or items which may affect our own resurgence in defense, with recommendations on how to address them.

-- Special communications: Impress upon Louis that he is the President's hand-picked man in London. If you consider it appropriate to do so, you might assure him that any particularly sensitive matter he may wish to communicate directly to you will be brought to the President's attention (you may also want to brief him on the existence of the Cabinet Line and the purposes to which it is put). (C)

CONFIDENTIAL Review on April 28, 1987

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Private and personal: You should know that I have helped shepherd John around the bureaucracy, and for my sins, he has been putting a full-court press on me to join him in London as his PAO. The place is attractive but the job is not -- I've done it in too many other locations, and frankly hope to better my lot. I've told him that much as I like the idea of London, I have some other irons in the fire and need to sort those out. I have also told him that it would be impossible for me to go to London in early May (which is what he has proposed); in fact, on purely professional grounds (not to mention personal), I cannot envisage the idea of any move before the end of the summer. I doubt if he will allude to the subject, but if he does, you have the pertinent background (p.s.: London does not look like a starter, though I guess I would be crazy not to consider it as a fall-back slot; this is a topic I would like to take up with you when you have a moment - nothing urgent). (e)

cc: Dennis Blair

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

February 18, 1981

THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN Dur

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with the Earl of Cromer (Wednesday, February 18, 1981)

The State Department prepared the material at Tab A for use during your February 18 meeting with the Earl of Cromer. My staff has reviewed it and considers it sound. So do I. I believe you will also find it helpful as a quick preview for some of the domestic political issues likely to be on Mrs. Thatcher's mind when she visits here a week after the Earl of Cromer.

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THE VICE PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH THE EARL OF CROMER, FEBRUARY 18, 1981

BACKGROUND

The Earl of Cromer is essentially in retirement, though he maintains excellent connections in the banking industry and occasionally speaks in the House of Lords. So far as we can determine, he is not visiting Washington as an emissary of the Prime Minister, whose official visit will be February 25-28. Nor is he apparently here as a spokesman for the Conservative Party.

After serving as Ambassador to the United States from 1971 to 1974, during Edward Heath's Conservative government, the Earl of Cromer returned to his banking interests. Lord Cromer remains highly respected in international banking circles. He is conservative in his economic outlook. The Earl is considered to be a good friend of the United States.

THE THATCHER GOVERNMENT AND THE ECONOMY

The Earl will be concerned about Britain's deteriorating economy. Prime Minister Thatcher has sought to break with the prevailing concept that society as a whole is entitled to increased levels of government services regardless of the state of the economy, and that business is entitled to government help to stay alive. Her strategy is to reduce the public sector, freeing resources for private business through reductions in expenditure and taxes. So far, however, she has failed, at least by her own declared criteria, but it is too early to say whether or not she will eventually succeed. Unemployment, now about ten percent, has become the most important domestic political issue. Inflation--at an annual rate of about fourteen percent though dropping rapidly--is still higher than when the Conservatives came to office in May, 1979.

In the past few months, doubts about the Prime Minister's "monetarist" course have been expressed by her natural business constituency, though the Confederation of British Industries (the principal management

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organization) continues to support her government. While the Prime Minister continues to enjoy a substantial parliamentary majority, her political future may be tied to the economy. If there is no reversal of the economic downturn by late 1982 or 1983 she could well be in trouble, as the Conservatives turn to a new leader for elections which must be held by Spring 1984.

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TALKING POINTS

-- The Earl of Cromer's views 'on Thatcher's policies and on prospects for the economy would be informed. They would also be an indication of the opinions of financial circles in the UK.

-- His views on the political future of the Prime Minister, especially if unemployment fails to decline before 1982 or early 1983, would be useful.

-- He may also have some thoughts on the February official visit to Washington of Prime Minister Thatcher. (A summary schedule for the visit is attached.)

THE LABOUR PARTY

The Labour opposition, in increasing disarray since its 1979 electoral defeat by Prime Minister Thatcher, is embroiled in a bitter left-right struggle over party policies and leadership. Michael Foot, associated with the left, was chosen to succeed right-wing Jim Callaghan as party leader in November, 1980. However, he has not been successful in promoting party unity. Tony Benn, a former cabinet member, remains the best-known left wingleader, and is a potential rival to Foot.

In response to the left's growing strength, some of the cabinet ministers in the Wilson and Callaghan governments (including David Owen and Shirley Williams) are on the brink of a walk-out. They may organize a new "social democratic" party which would fully support a vigorous Western defense policy. Public opinion polls show widespread support among the electorate for such a "center" party.

With Labour so divided, its foreign and defense policies are not yet firm. Nevertheless, the policies being expounded are clearly at odds with US interest in



an important British contribution to Alliance security. The party has strong reservations about the UK purchase of Trident. Opposition to GLCM basing is also widespread, especially on the left. Most elements within Labour favor cuts in defense spending, arguing that the economy cannot afford the defense effort to which the Thatcher government has committed Britain. While we cannot assume that a Labour government would be bound by the policies presently being advocated, we are concerned that a Labour mandate in 1984 could well pose significant problems in US-UK relations.

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-- The Earl of Cromer's views on the potential public support for a new "social democratic" party would be welcome.

-- Cromer would have insights as to how widespread left-wing views on defense are among the British electorate.

-- Cromer probably knows both Foot and Benn well. His comments on the relationship between the two as well as on the likelihood of a power struggle between them would be useful.

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM:

JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT: Vice President's Meeting with the Earl of Cromer

Your memo at Tab 1 forwards appropriate background material for the Vice President's use during his meeting next Wednesday with the Earl of Cromer, a former British Ambassador to the United States.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memo to the Vice President at Tab 1.

Approve

Disapprove

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February 13, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD V. ALLEN THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Vice President's Meeting with the Earl of Cromer

Attached is a briefing paper for the Vice President's meeting with the Earl of Cromer on February 18.

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L. Paul Bremer III Executive Secretary

Attachment: As stated.



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February 9, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

L. PAUL BREMER, III Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

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Vice President's Meeting with the Earl of Cromer

The Earl of Cromer, former British Ambassador to the United States, is scheduled to meet with the Vice President on February 18. The NSC would appreciate receiving appropriate background and talking points from the Department for the Vice President's use on that occasion. The material should reach the NSC no later than <u>close of business Friday</u>, February 13, 1981.

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VP's meeting with Earl of Cromer is at 5:00 p.m. today. Original package placed in VP's folder in the Sit Room, to be picked up, per a voncersation w/John Owens.

Jean P.

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES TYSON

FROM: Nancy Bearg Dyke

SUBJECT:

Vice President's Meeting with the Earl of Cromer

The Earl of Cromer (former British Ambassador to the U.S.) will meet with the Vice President on February 18. It is our understanding that the meeting is to be of a social nature, but it would be helpful to have any relevant talking points and background papers by opening of business, February 17. THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

To Fin Rentschler Thanks B.L.

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February 17, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

JIM RENTSCHLER

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SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with UK Undersecretary for Defense Patrick Moberly (U) (Wednesday, February 18 - 3:15 a.m.)

The main purpose of Moberly's call on you will be to reopen the FCO link with the White House which he and his associates consider "privileged". Though this will be largely a courtesy call, Moberly is intensely interested in substance and is likely to touch on a number of broad issues involving U.S.-UK cooperation. Depending on the specific subjects he raises, it will be useful for you to make the following points/replies: (N)

- -- <u>Thatcher visit</u>. Ask him what security-related items are most likely to be on Mrs. Thatcher's mind when she comes here next week. In that context, what does Moberly see as the main priorities of U.S.-UK defense cooperation? (D)
- -- <u>TNF</u>. Reiterate the Reagan Administration's view that pressing forward with December, 1979 NATO decision on deployment is an indispensable adjunct of our common security. We appreciate UK determination to move ahead on this item (you can inform Moberly that the President hit Italian Foreign Minister Colombo very strongly on this last week and received an encouraging reply). (C)
- Diego Garcia. Express appreciation for UK cooperation in the Indian Ocean and for this very important element in our plans for ensuring adequate force projection toward Southwest Asia and the Persian Gulf region. Because the Brits are not altogether comfortable with our operational arrangements on Diego Garcia, I recommend you avoid getting into the specifics of cooperation; if Moberly presses, tell him you'll look into it and get back to him. (2) (NB. I attach FYI at Tab A a cable from London on a matter relating to one of the aspects which prompt UK discomfort about our D.G. presence).

<u>Naval cooperation</u>. This topic has had a tangled history, but in general we are pleased with the practical arrangements which now govern U.S.-UK naval coordination, particularly in the Indian Ocean. Our main interest now is to keep the Brits from reopening the complicated question of NATO rules of engagement, multilateral coordination, etc. If Moberly questions any of this, head him off by telling him that you understand a large measure of agreement exists at senior command levels between our two services, and the same is true so far as our political authorities are concerned. You will look into any demurral Moberly may voice.

Poland. Praise the Brits for their constructive approach to Allied contingency planning vis-a-vis Soviet intervention in Poland (they authored a list of possible sanctions which is being worked over by NATO's PermReps). Seek his views on the status of UK planning now in connection with the Polish situation.

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-- <u>Nuclear Exports and Technology</u>. The Agency paper at Tab B provides some current background on this issue. I don't <u>think</u> we have yet worked out a policy on the matter; however, if Moberly alludes to it, you can tell him that it is under policy-level consideration. (S)

I have asked State to provide some bio data on your visitor; if it turns up before 3:15 tomorrow - unlikely! - I'll tube it over. (U)

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2. THE FOLLOWING UPI PIECE ENTITLED "DIEGO GARCIA IS DE-PICTED AS DRUG-RIDDEN" APPEARED IN THE PARIS TRIBUNE FEERUARY 16 AND WAS ALSO PICKED UP BY THE BRITISH PRESS: BEGIN TEXT: BRITISH AUTHORITIES ARE CONCERNED ABOUT DRUG ABUSE, RACE CONFLICTS, VIOLENCE AND ARMS SMUGGLING ON THE TOP-SECRET ISLAND OF DIEGO GARCIA, WHICH HAS BECOME THE MAJOR U.S. BASE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN, DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SAY.

A ROYAL NAVY LIEUTENANT COMMANDER AND 26 SEAMEN WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO ENFORCE BRITISH LAW ON THE ISLAND ARE UNABLE TO COPE WITH SPEADING LAWLESSNESS, THE SOURCES SAID, AND THE DRUG PROBLEM IS "OUT OF HAND." RAMPAGING CONSTRUCTION WORKERS AND SAILORS REPORTEDLY HAVE SMASHED UP THE BRITISH CLUB, AND THE SOURCES SAID TWO MEN RAN AMOK IN THE ISLAND'S POWER STATION. WITH ITS CUSTOMARY CONCERN FOR SECRECY, THE BRITISH GOVERN-MENT HAS KEPT DETAILS OF THE DETERIORATING SITUATION ON DIEGO GARCIA FROM THE PUBLIC, THE PRESS AND PARLIAMENT. WHEN PRESSED ABOUT THE PROBLEM, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE SAID, "WE ACKNOWLEDGE THERE IS A DRUG PROB-

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LEM AND WE ARE WORKING ON IT. ALONG WITH THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES. THE ISLAND IS BEING PREPARED AS A BASE FOR U.S. SHIPS LOADED WITH TANKS, ARTILLERY, AMMUNITION AND EQUIPMENT FOR POSSIBLE RAPID DEPLOYMENT IN THE GULF. WHILE U.S. SERVICEMEN ARE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFICK-ING, THE SOURCES SAID, THE MAJOR CAUSE FOR CONCERN FOR BRITISH AUTHORITIES IS THE PRESENCE OF UP TO 2,000 CIVIL-IANS, INCLUDING U.S. TECHNICIANS, CREWS OF MERCHANT SHIPS AND CONSTRUCTION WORKERS FROM THE PHILIPPINES AND SOUTH THE CIVILIANS COME UNDER THE LAWS OF THE BRITISH KOREA. INDIAN OCEAN TERRITORIES RATHER THAN UNDER U.S. MILITARY DISCIPLINE. IN WASHINGTON, THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT DENIED THE ALLEGA-TIONS AS FAR AS THEY PERTAIN TO U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL ON THE ISLAND, WHICH IS ABOUT 800 MILES SOUTH OF THE TIP OF INDIA. ISOLATED ON THE ISLAND FOR MONTHS AT A TIME WITH VIRTUALLY NO LEISURE FACILITIES, AND SPLIT BY RACIAL TENSIONS, THE ALL-MALE COMMUNITY IS AN UNRULY THREAT TO LAW AND ORDER. THE SOURCES SAID MARIJUANA, LSD, "ANGLE DUST," COCAINE AND "SPEED" ARE FREELY AND CHEAPLY AVAILABLE. OF DOZENS OF SHIPS THAT HAVE VISITED THE ISLAND IN RECENT MONTHS. ONLY ONE WAS FOUND TO BE FREE OF DRUGS. NARCOTICS AND FIREARMS ARE REPORTEDLY SENT THROUGH U.S. MAILS, WHICH ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CUSTOMS SEARCHES, AND IN THE BAGGAGE OF CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. THE SOURCES SAID BRITAIN IS ASKING U.S. MILITARY AND POSTAL AUTHORITIES TO CONTROL THE MAILS. A FOREIGN OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ACCESS TO THE ISLAND IS "RESTRICTED" AND THAT MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT HAVE BEEN "DISSUADED" FROM GOING THERE. THE DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SAID THERE IS NO SUCH RESTRICTION ON U.S. CONGRESSMEN. A U.S. SPOKESMAN CONCEDED THAT "SOME ILLEGAL DRUGS HAVE BUT HE MAINTAINED THERE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE MAILS," BUT HE MAINTAINED THE WAS "NO EVIDENCE THAT SAILORS ON THE ISLAND HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFICKING. KEITH SPEED, UNDERSECRETARY FOR THE ROYAL NAVY, VISITED DIEGO GARCIA ON HIS WAY TO HONG KONG IN DECEMBER AND LEARNED THE SCALE OF THE PROBLEMS FACING THE TINY BRITISH NAVAL DETACHMENT. WHICH IS OFFICIALLY ASSIGNED TO DIEGO GARCIA AS A COMMUNICATIONS UNIT. "YES, BY ALL MEANS HE WAS CONCERNED," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE SAID. "WE ARE CLOSELY COOPERATING ET

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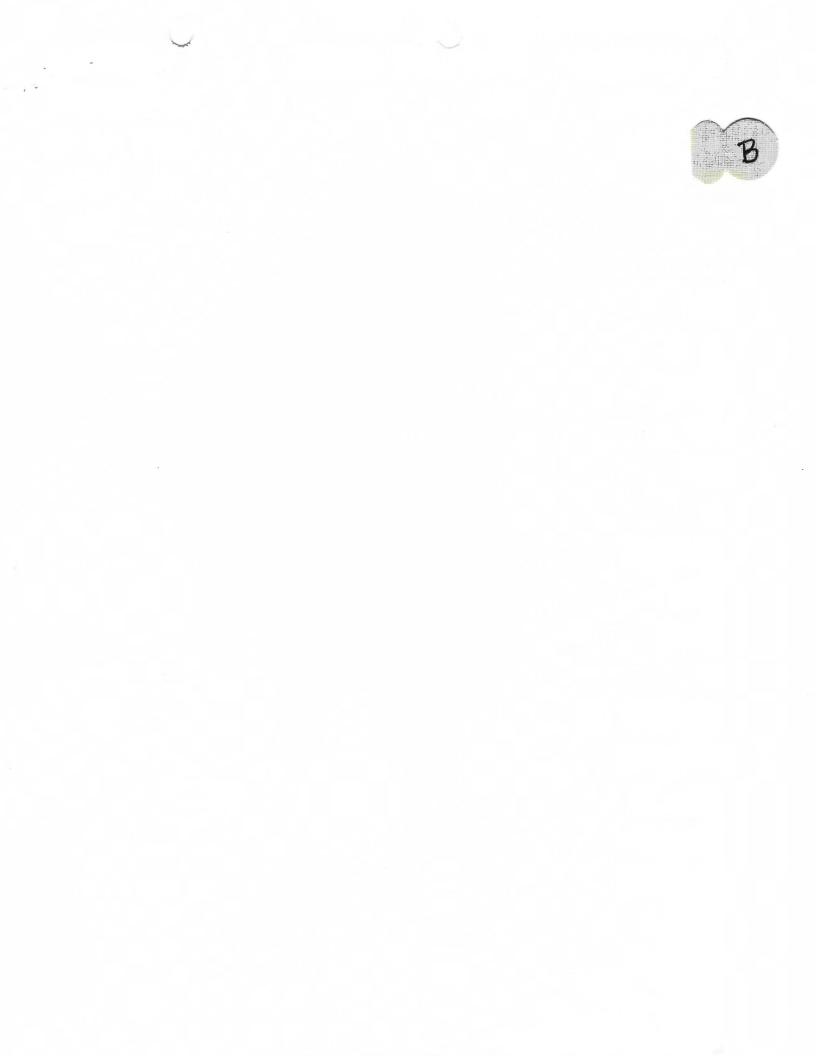
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