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JANUARY 26, 1982

TO: PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER

DEAR MARGARET:

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR JANUARY 21 LETTER ON THE D5 MISSILE SYSTEM. YOUR PROPOSAL FOR EARLY TALKS HERE IN WASHINGTON CONCERNING CONDITIONS OF AVAILABILITY MAKES EXCELLENT SENSE, AND I SEE NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD NOT FIRM UP ARRANGEMENTS TO MEET WITH YOUR PEOPLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

IF CONVIENENT FOR YOUR SIDE, I WOULD SUGGEST A MEETING THE FIRST WEEK IN FEBRUARY. OUR POINT OF CONTACT FOR THAT PURPOSE WILL BE ROBERT MCFARLANE, NOW HERE IN THE WHITE HOUSE, WHO HAS WORKED ON THESE MATTERS WITH SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG IN THE PAST. AS TO THE ACTUAL CONDUCT OF THE MEETING, I WOULD ENVISAGE A SMALL INTERAGENCY TEAM ON OUR SIDE WHICH WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR SIDE WITH THE INFORMATION IT MIGHT NEED.

WITH WARM PERSONAL REGARDS.

SINCERELY,

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Reply to Prime Minister Thatcher

On January 21, Mrs. Thatcher sent you a message on the back channel asking that we receive a high-level delegation to discuss possible purchase by the United Kingdom of the D-5 Trident submarine-launched ballistic missile.

The reply attached for your approval responds affirmatively to the Prime Minister's request, specifying timing, format, and point of contact.

RECOMMENDATION

Jan Jallet That you approve the reply to Mrs. Thatcher at Tab A.

Approve Disapprove

Attachments

Reply to Mrs. Thatcher Tab A

Tab B Thatcher message to you

Review on 1/25/88

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TO:

PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER

10 DOWNING STREET

VIA:

CABINET LINE

Dear Margaret:

Many thanks for your January 21 letter on the D5 missile system. Your proposal for early talks here in Washington concerning conditions of availability makes excellent sense, and I see no reason why we should not firm up arrangements to meet with your people as soon as possible.

If convenient for your side, I would suggest a meeting the first week in February. Our point of contact for that purpose will be Robert McFarlane, now here in the White House, who has worked on these matters with Sir Robert Armstrong in the past. As to the actual conduct of the meeting, I would envisage a small interagency team on our side which would be able to provide your side with the information it might need.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

Ron

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

TOP SECRET

January 25, 1982

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BUD MCFARLANE

FROM:

DENNE SEAIR

SUBJECT:

Consultations with the UK on Trident Missiles

Following up our conversation of Saturday, I have canvassed both State and DOD concerning the British request to send a team over next week to discuss the purchase of the D-5 missile. My initial conversations have surfaced three separate issues:

- -- Preparation time. Both State and DOD say that they will be ready to meet the British delegation by next week. The reply to Thatcher therefore invites the British delegation for the first week in February.
- -- Point of contact. DOD has a memo on the way explaining why it should have the lead on this issue. In order not to prejudge the issue, the reply to Mrs. Thatcher specifies me as the point of contact;
- -- Chairman of our delegation. DOD has been in communication with the MoD for about a year on the Trident program. The primary channel has been the Perle Hastie-Smith "Defense Working Group." Weinberger is about to sign a memo to Judge Clark requesting that Perle chair our delegation that meets with the Brits on the D-5 issue. You are familiar with Haig's view that his department has the lead on all US-UK nuclear issues. I see no way to resolve this at less than the Clark Haig Weinberger level. Once Weinberger's memo arrives, I will staff it with this recommendation.

On substance, I favor DOD having the lead. State should be kept informed to register concerns, or raise issues to higher levels if necessary. I do not think it is something we ought to lead from the White House, although we should be kept informed.

Attached is a memorandum to Judge Clark to get the reply to Thatcher moving and to alert him to the bureaucratic issue.

RECOMMENDATION

That you forward the attached package to Judge Clark.

Approve (1)

Disapprove ____

Attachment

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MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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January 25, 1982

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

DENNIE BLAIF

SUBJECT:

Presidential Reply to Message from

Prime Minister Thatcher

Thatcher sent a message to the President (Tab B) last Thursday requesting that we receive a high-level British delegation to discuss possible purchase by the United Kingdom of the Trident D-5 missile.

The reply for the President's approval at Tab A welcomes the visit next week, and designates me as the point of contact for the visit.

In the next few days we need to decide whether Defense or State will lead our delegation. Memoranda are on their way to you on this subject which I will consolidate. Once that bureaucratic decision is made, the substantive preparations for the visit of the British delegation will be relatively simple, and are largely complete. We are committed to selling the British the missile; the primary issue is the price.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Approve ______

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum to the President

Tab A Reply for President's Approval

Tab B Thatcher message to the President

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FROM WEINBERGER, C DOCDATE 25 JAN 82

KEYWORDS: GREAT BRITAIN

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SUBJECT: DISCUSSIONS W/ BRITISH RE ACQUISITION OF TRIDENT D5 MISSILE

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR CLARK DUE: 31 JAN 82 STATUS C

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Discussions with the British

on the D-5 Missile

Next week Mrs. Thatcher is sending a high-level delegation (Assistant-Secretary level) to discuss the possible purchase of the Trident D-5 submarine launched ballistic missile. Last August, when you chose the D-5 for our Navy, you offered to sell it to the British. We had agreed in 1980 to sell the British the less capable C-4 missile, but it now appears that they wish to take you up on your offer of the D-5. The primary issue is price.

We want to give them a good deal, but we also want them to apply some of the price break to improving their armed forces in other ways.

Still at issue is who will lead our delegation: State, Defense, or the NSC Staff? It is a difficult issue and Cap and Al each feels that he should be in charge.

At the beginning of the Administration last year, you assigned to Al the responsibility for dealing with the British on "strategic nuclear cooperation matters." Your decision marked a change from previous Administrations, which had handled these issues directly out of the White House. The British have always handled them through the Prime Minister's cabinet office. In the past year, State and the British cabinet office have discussed and worked out several sensitive policy issues concerning nuclear forces. Defense has not been involved in these exchanges, and in fact does not even know they took place.

The D-5 Trident issue involves hardware, and eventually DoD will have to assume the lead in actually selling and delivering it to the British. The question is the point at which they assume the lead -- now or later? The delegation the British

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send next week will be headed by their representative from the cabinet office. They would be surprised to find a Department of Defense official chairing our delegation; indeed they have taken some pains to avoid their Ministry of Defence dominating their delegation. For consistency on our side, and because there are significant political and arms control implications in the talks, it would be logical for State to chair our delegation, which would include representatives from the NSC Staff and Dob. Al Haig feels strongly that we are still in the policy stage of these negotiations, and under the instructions you gave him a year ago, he should still be in the lead.

As Cap's memo attached argues however, the question of the D-5 missile is closely linked to the more general discussions which the Defense Department has already been conducting with the British Ministry of Defence, and eventually Defense will have to take over to implement the sale of the missiles.

The third possibility is for the NSC Staff to chair the delegation. This returns to the practice of past Administrations and would be Prime Minister Thatcher's preference. Al would probably resist it strongly. There is no substantive reason to shift the lead to the White House, as State has handled the job competently in the past year. However the selection of the NSC Staff would have the virtue of avoiding a choice between State and Defense.

There is one compromise choice. Bud McFarlane is my Deputy at the NSC, but still officially retains his title of Counselor in the State Department. He has been handling these issues at State for the past year. Were he chosen to lead because of his "two hats," it would be easier for Al to accept, and I think I could sell the idea to Cap.

This is a close call. I know Cap and Al both feel strongly about it. For Al, it is a question of his role as your executor of foreign policy. Cap does not know the previous exchanges between State and the British cabinet office and the fact that you gave the lead to State last year, and for him it is a simple hardware issue that he should be in charge of. Once you decide who should take it, we need to consult about the best way to break the news to the other.

RECOMMENDATION

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Tab A Memo from Secretary of Defense

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

January 27, 1982

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Dennis Blair

Subject: US-UK D-5 Negotiations

The attached memo from Sec Weinberger was delivered personally this morning to Judge Clark. It raises the question of who will chair the US side.

Please prepare a memo for the Judge covering a memo to the President to resolve this issue. Factor in the rationale in the attached as well as the State position (from Bob Blackwill). Please forward this as soon as possible (cob Thursday).

Many thanks

Alb

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

THE MILITARY ASSISTANT

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SEC DEF

I believe it is important that the D-5 negotiations be conducted by a DOD- Chaired to am. Oracle in clearly the best qualified to see that our interests are kept paramount.

VR.

Carl



WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

MEMORANDUM FOR JUDGE CLARK, ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: UK TRIDENT II Purchase (S)

- (S) We understand that the UK Government has decided to acquire our TRIDENT II (D-5) missile. The Prime Minister has asked for US Government agreement to meet with a British team in Washington early in February to discuss price, terms and other details. The British team is to be led by a Cabinet Office official and will include Foreign Office as well as Defense Ministry participation.
- (S) It appears that the British desire to disengage the TRIDENT II discussions from those of the US/UK Working Group that has attempted since last summer to find ways to conserve Ministry of Defense appropriated funds to offset reductions to the Royal Navy and other UK programs. Toward this end the US/UK Working Group has been exploring ways to save money through collaborative programs.
- (S) The US/UK Working Group, which is led by Richard Perle, is organized as a DoD/Ministry of Defense body (with participation from State), in accordance with the nature of the subject matter. It has discussed potential savings that might be realized from British acquisition of TRIDENT II and a concomitant reduction of research and development and other charges that would be assessed to the UK as a consequence of the TRIDENT II purchase. In deference to British sensitivities regarding the allocation of their resources, we have agreed not to link the TRIDENT discussions explicitly with the Working Group activities, but to conduct them in parallel under the leadership of Richard Perle and, for the Ministry of Defense, Richard Hastie-Smith.
- (S) I am concerned that the work and purpose of the US/UK Working Group, which has already identified significant savings that could be applied to UK programs, and produced a working memorandum in October (see Tab A)* not be diluted as a result of a completely separate set of negotiations on TRIDENT, outside the DoD/MoD framework. The acquisition of TRIDENT II is a defense issue, and rightfully should be dealt with in defense channels.

* Note especially underlined portions.

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(S) I trust you will agree that DoD should retain the lead on the TRIDENT negotiation, with Richard Perle as Chairman for the US side, so as to realize as fully as possible the defense benefits that will accrue to both the US and the UK as a result of the British purchase.

NARA DATE PROGRESS REPORT OF THE US/UK WORKING GROUP

ON THE DEFENSE PROGRAM

- L. THIS NOTE SUMMARIZES THE OUTCOME OF DISCUSSIONS OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP.
- THE AIMS OF THE GROUP WERE: TO IDENTIFY WAYS AND MEANS OF FREEING RESOURCES THROUGH US/UK COOPERATION; AND TO RECOMMEND HOW SUCH RESOURCES COULD BE EMPLOYED TO BEST ADVANTAGE IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THE READINESS AND AVAILABILITY OF UK MARITIME FORCES WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE NATO AREA.
- THE GROUP FIRST REACHED AGREEMENT ON A NUMBER OF POINTS OF PRINCIPLE WHICH WERE FUNDAMENTAL TO THE CONDUCT OF THE DISCUSSIONS. FIRST, THE MAIN OBJECTIVE WAS TO SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE WAYS OF EN-HANCING CAPABILITIES IN A NUMBER OF DISCRETE AREAS INCREMENTAL TO, BUT CONSISTENT WITH, THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UK DEFENSE PROGRAM AS SET OUT IN THE WHITE PAPER COMMAND 8288 AND SUBSEQUENT STATE-MENTS IN PARLIAMENT. SECOND, SUCH HELP AS THE US COULD OFFER BY CLOSER COOPERATION MUST BE FULLY JUSTIFIED TO CONGRESS: AND THIS COULD BEST BE ACHIEVED BY DEMONSTRATING THAT ANY ACTION FLOWING FROM THE GROUP'S RECOMMENDATIONS WAS CHANNELLED INTO AREAS WHICH WOULD ENHANCE THE MARITIME STRENGTH OF THE ALLIANCE. UNDERSTOOD BY THE UK AND IN NO WAY INTERPRETED BY THEM AS A DICTATION ON HOW FUNDS SHOULD BE EMPLOYED. THIRD, IT WAS CLEARLY ESTABLISHED THAT ANY RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE GROUP HERE SUBJECT TO THE OUTCOME OF THE UK'S RECOSTING OF THEIR OVERALL DEFENSE PROGRAM AND THAT THIS WOULD NOT BE FULLY REVEALED UNTIL TOWARD THE END OF 1981 OR EARLY 1982. IN THE EVENT OF SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES, THE ARRANGEMENTS DETERMINED IN THESE DISCUSSIONS WOULD HAVE TO BE REVIEWED.

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NOTE OF MEETINGS OF US/UK DEFENSE REVIEW WORKING GROUP

HELD ON 5/5 OCTOBER 1981

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1. LIST OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

NLRR MO8-193 # 29036

ITEM 1 - TRIDENT

BY KML NARA DATE 6/10/10

A. BASING/SUPPORT CONSIDERATIONS.

JOINT UZ/UK STUDY WILL ADDRESS OPTIONS FOR SUPPORTING TRIDENT MISSILES AT KING'S BAY. GEORGIA. US EXPECTS TO COMPLETE ITS PORTION BY DECEMBER. AND THE UK EXPECTS TO COMPLETE ITS PART BY FEBRUARY 1982.

THE UK WILL PRODUCE TWO ADDITIONAL PAPERS ADDRESSING CONSIDERATIONS FOR CAP TRAIN-ING OF UK PERSONNEL BY THE US AND CBP THE BASING OF UK TRIDENT SUBMARINES IN THE US.

B- TRANSFER OF SURPLUS POLARIS MATERIAL

UK TO PRODUCE LIST OF ITEMS REQUESTED FOR TRANSFER IN ADDITION TO POLARIS ROCKET MOTORS. SSPO TO SET INITIAL PRICES.

US AGREES IN PRINCIPLE, AD REFERENDUM, TO THE TRANSFER OF THESE MATERIALS AT LOUEST PERMISSIBLE COST.

C. FACILITIES SURCHARGE

US AGREES IN PRINCIPLE, AD REFERENDUM, TO THE MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE REDUCTION OF THESE CHARGES.

D. PROVISION OF ADVANCED RANGE INSTRUMENTATION SHIP (ARIS)

UK GROUP TO REVIEW ARIS
SITUATION AFTER UK MISSILES
TESTS IN JANUARY 1982.

E. <u>C4/DS MIZSILE SYSTEM PROGRAM</u> COSTS AND R&D LEVY WORK IS PROCEEDING ON THE JOINT STUDY OF PROGRAM COSTS.

TTEM 2 - NON-TRIDENT CASH FLOW CONSIDERATIONS

A. THE UZ TEAM INDICATED THAT A NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING BILLS FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE UK TO UZ FORCES HAD ALREADY BEEN PAID. IT SUBMITTED A LIST OF ALL OSTENSIBLY OUTSTANDING UK BILLS, INDICATING THOSE WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN PAID.

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- B- THE US TEAM FURNISHED THE UK WITH A LIST OF KEY MILITARY CONTACTS FOR RESOLUTION OF OTHER OUTSTANDING MATTERS.
- C. THE US INDICATED THAT WERE HMG TO ALTER ITS RULES REGARDING PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS, THERE APPEARED TO BE NO SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS WITH US COMPLIANCE. CURRENT BILLS MUST BE DEALT WITH UNDER PRESENT PROCEDURES, HOMEVER.
- D. THE UK WILL FORMULATE NEW PROPOSALS FOR PAYMENTS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES RENDERED.

TTEM 3 - NAVAL FORCE LEVELS AND SHIP AVAILABILITY

IMPROVING STAND-BY SQUADRON READINESS

GROUP AGREED THAT EMPHASIS
SHOULD BE PLACED ON ADDING
SURFACE COMBATANTS TO THE
ACTIVE FLEET. INCREASED SBS
READINESS TO BE SECOND PRIORITY.
UK TO FURNISH DETAILED COSTS OF
ADDING SHIPS TO ACTIVE FLEET
BY SHIP/BY YEAR.

TTEM 4 - USE OF PORTSMOUTH BY
US NAVY

US WILL UNDERTAKE A MAJOR STUDY OF HOMEPORTING OPTIONS FOR BATTLE-SHIPS, A MARINE AIR/GROUND TASK GROUP, MARITIME PREPOSITIONING SHIPS AND OTHER POSSIBLE UNITS AT PORTSMOUTH. UK TO PROVIDE LIST OF FACILITIES TO BE RUN DOWN IN 1982. US STUDY TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIX MONTHS.

ITEM 5 - SHIP ACQUISITION

A. STROMNESS AND TIDESPRING

US AGREED, IN PRINCIPLE, AD REFERENDUM, TO EVALUATE STEPS LEADING TO THE PURCHASE/CHARTER OF STROMNESS AND TIDESPRING.

8. INVICIBLE/CVS

US WILL UNDERTAKE A COST/EFFECTIVENESS STUDY OF ACQUIRING INVINCIBLE.

ITEM 5 - AMPHISIOUS FORCES

UK TO PROVIDE US WITH STUDY OF AMPHIBIOUS LIFT.

TTEM 7 - OUT-OF-AREA OPERATIONS

A. UK INDIAN OCEAN DEFENSE EFFORTS

UK PRESENTED PAPER SUMMARIZING CURRENT AND PROPOSED ACTIVITIES IN INDIAN OCEAN.

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B. PROVISION OF US LOGISTICS SUPPORT

UK TO (A) PROVIDE POLITICAL ASSESSMENT OF RELIANCE ON US SUPPORT FACILITIES IN INDIAN OCEAN/CARIBBEAN (B) ANALYSIS OF POTENTIAL SAVINGS ARISING FROM SUCH SUPPORT.

C. AIRLIFT FOR ATH FIELD FORCE

UK TO PROVIDE PAPER OUTLINING NATURE OF AIR LIFT REQUIREMENTS FOR ATH FIELD FORCE.

TTEM A - MEAPONS SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT

A. OTH-B RADAR

UK TO RESPOND TO PRELIMINARY US PAPER

B. IMPROVEMENTS TO SURFACE
COMBATANTS WEAPONS SYSTEMS

US AND UK TO PRODUCE SEPARATE PAPERS ON BOLT-ON SYSTEMS.

ITEM 9 - GIBRALTAR

UK TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION FROM CURRENT STUDIES ON POTENTIAL FOR USN USE OF DOCKYARD.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

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MEASURES TO ENHANCE AVAIL-ABILITY (IN OPDER OF PRIORITY)

SUPPLY OF SURPLUS POLARIS 3. MATERIAL {UP TO \$28 MILLION}

CONVERTING THE MAXIMUM POSSIBLE NUMBER OF SHIPS IN SBS TO AL

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INCREASING SBS READINESS FOR UP TO A SHIPS (AT LEAST \$£¶ MILLION P.A.)

- R&D LEVY {AWAITS FURTHER STUDY}
- 2. MAINTAINING MPA DEPLOYMENT IN INDIAN OCEAN AT & DETACHMENTS PER ANNUM (\$2 MILLION P.A.)
- FACILITIES CHARGES.

 (UP TO \$56.4 MILLION FOR C-4:

 OR UP TO \$76.4 MILLION FOR D-5)
- SHIP ACQUISITION {SUBJECT TO FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY UK ON MARKETABILITY}
 - A. STROMNEZS (\$13.5 MILLION)
 - B. TIDESPING (\$3.5 MILLION)

- US AND UK TO STUDY OPTIONS FOR SUPPORTING TRIDENT MISSILES SUPPLIED BY US TO UK IN THE UNITED STATES THEREBY REDUCTING THE COST TO THE UK OF CAPITAL WORKS REQUIRED TO EXTEND THE RNAD AT COULPORT.
- US/UK TO STUDY THE IMPLICATIONS OF BASING US WARSHIPS AT PORTSMOUTH THEREBY HELPING TO SUSTAIN A SOMEWHAT LARGER SUPPORT FACILITY THAN UK CURRENTLY PLANS.
- CIIII US TO EXTEND COOPERATION IN SUPPLYING LOGISTIC/TANKER
 SUPPORT IN CARIBBEAN AND INDIAN OCEAN TO DEPLOYED HM
 SHIPS.
- THE AUTEC RANGE AT FAVORABLE RATES.
- (V) US/UK TO PURSUE INFORMATION EXCHANGE ON THE DISPOSAL OF NUCLEAR POWER SUBMARINES.
- ERVICES RENDERED TO THE US FORCES IN EUROPE.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.

The Secretary of State

THE HONORABLE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER

The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT:

Discussions with the British on Acquisition

of the D5 Missile (TS)

In reply to a request from Prime Minister Thatcher, the President has agreed to receive as early as the first week in February "a small team of senior officials" to "explore . . . the possibility of (the United Kingdom) buying the D5." The U.S. team will include representatives from the Departments of Defense and State and the National Security Council Staff. In preparation for the meeting, the Departments of State and Defense are requested to submit a joint paper covering the topics listed below. Indicated in parentheses is the department which will take the lead in preparing each topic in the paper. Differences in position between the departments will be indicated in the paper by brackets. It is requested that the papers be completed by COB Thursday, January 28.

Topics to be included in the paper:

- An assessment of British objectives (State)
 - -- for the February meeting
 - -- for the D5 purchase
- The history of the C4 negotiation and agreement (Defense) as a precedent for these negotiations
 - -- price
 - -- quids
- Implications of British purchase of the D5
 - -- military (Defense)
 - -- arms control (State)

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- Cost data (Defense)
 - -- projected cost to the UK of the missile system
 - -- range of possible R&D costs to the UK
- Implications of alternative R&D charges to the UK
 - -- military (Defense)
 - -- political (State)
- Alternative U.S. strategies for the February discussions
 - -- scenarios (State)
 - -- quids (Defense)
 - -- bottom lines (State/Defense)

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MEMORANDUM FOR JUDGE CLARK

FROM:

BUD MCFARLANE

SUBJECT:

Discussions with the British on Acquisition of the Trident D5 Submarine-Launched Trident

Missile (TS)

Tuesday afternoon I chaired a meeting of State and Defense representatives to brainstorm our preparations for the discussions next week with the British. As you know, the British are considering purchase of the D5 missile, and on Prime Minister Thatcher's personal request, the President has agreed to receive a high-level team to discuss the purchase. (75)

Attached at Tab I for your signature is a memorandum to State and Defense to task them formally to prepare the papers we will need for the discussions. The tasker reflects the consensus we achieved at the meeting Tuesday afternoon, and State and Defense are in agreement in our basic approach to the discussions. (78)

We still have to decide who will lead the U.S. team -- State, Defense or the NSC. Cap Weinberger is sending you a memo on the subject, and when we receive it, we will analyze the options for your consideration. (78)

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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Thanks, Wilma

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD PERLE

Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy

RICHARD BURT

Director of Bureau of Political-Military

Affairs, Department of State

SUBJECT:

Preparations for Meetings with United Kingdom on TRIDENT D-5 Missile

As a result of the working group meeting this morning, the following additional information is requested in order to prepare for the meetings with the British delegation, currently scheduled for February 8 and 9, 1982.

STATE:

O A brief account of the manner in which the NATO allies were informed in 1980 of the TRIDENT C-4 purchased by the United Kindgom;

DEFENSE:

- o A table breaking down the comparative cost data for the C-4 and D-5 systems, showing ranges or approximations where necessary;
- o A table showing the projected expenditures rates over time for the C-4 and D-5 systems;
- o Information on the application of the "three percent FMS surcharge" to the D-5 sale;

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- o To the extent that it is available or can be estimated, cost data on the following offsets:
 - -- Maintenance in active status of UK surface combatants
 - -- Indian Ocean operations by Royal Navy
 - -- RAPIER purchase by the United Kingdom
 - -- U.S. servicing of UK D-5 missiles and warheads
- o Status of discussions of D-5 purchase in the U.S.-UK Defense Working Group.

The next meeting of the working group is tentatively scheduled for 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 3, 1982 in the Situation Room. At that meeting, in addition to incorporating the information requested above in the preparatory paper, it is intended to draft the final section of the paper, "U.S. Strategy for the Meeting."

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Alexander M. Haig, Jr. Frank C. Carlucci, III, Actin

SUBJECT:

Discussions with the British Concerning Purchase of the

TRIDENT D-5

Last August, when you announced the U.S. Navy would develop the D-5 missile, you agreed to sell it to the United Kingdom. We know that Prime Minister Thatcher is anxious to announce a decision to buy the D-5 missile if we can agree on a price.

The Prime Minister is sending a delegation to Washington next week to discuss this purchase. Our delegation will be headed by Bud McFarlane, Counselor of the State Department, now acting as Judge Clark's Deputy at the National Security Council.

The British know that the price of the missiles themselves will be about \$3.7B. In addition, our law requires that we charge a pro rata share of the research and development costs of the missile, which depending on the number of missiles they purchase, could amount to about \$700M - \$900M. However, you have the discretion to waive some of this amount, and we believe that it is in the U.S. interest to do so. anticipate that the British will make a first offer of a package of cash and "offsets" (actions they will take which will save us money) amounting to about \$275M. That leaves a shortfall of about \$400M - \$600M.

We intend to open the negotiation by suggesting to the British an arrangement similar to that agreed two years ago for the TRIDENT I (C-4) missile, in which we forgave on the order of 25% of the R&D, recovered about 25% in cash, and received 50% in the form of offsets. The effect of this would be to

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approximately double both what the UK will pay for R&D, and what we will forgive. The new offsets we will ask for fall in two important areas in which the British are cutting forces and we would otherwise have to take up the slack: maintaining surface naval forces in the North Atlantic, and peacetime presence in the Indian Ocean. If the British agree to do more than they had planned in these two areas, it will save the U.S. Government money and bolster Western defenses.

We do not anticipate that we will be able to complete the negotiations at next week's session. We will make our first offer, the British will make theirs, followed by some clarifying discussions. We will keep you informed as the negotiation progresses.





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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Walter J. Stoes . Jr., Acting

Frank C. Carlucon, III, Acting 11 FEB 1982

SUBJECT:

Negotiations with the United

Kingdom on Possible Purchase

of TRIDENT D-5 Missile

As we informed you in an earlier memorandum, on February 8 and 9 we held five hours of negotiations with a delegation sent by Margaret Thatcher on the possible purchase by the United Kingdom of the TRIDENT D-5 missile. At the British request, we are keeping the fact of these negotiations tightly held.

We offered the British an arrangement for the purchase of the missiles similar to that agreed two years ago for the TRIDENT (C-4) missile. Predictably, they told us the price we offered was higher than they wished to pay. However, they agreed to propose to us additional offsets (i.e., increases in their own defense posture in areas where we would otherwise have to assume responsibility ourselves) which could make up at least some of the difference.

We will hold another round of negotiations in about two weeks, after both sides review their positions, and exchange more data. We are optimistic that we can bridge the differences between us, opening the way for an announcement in March that the British will purchase the D-5.

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