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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

June 22, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHARLES HILL

Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Letter to Lady Olga Maitland

As recommended by Embassy London (London 13907), the President's June 10, 1984 letter to Lady Olga Maitland has been revised. The final version is attached for dispatch.

Attachment

Robert M. Kimmitt Executive Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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I share your view about those misguided, possibly well-intentioned people who let themselves be used by those who would destroy our freedom. They are free to demonstrate as an expression of their views, but if they succeed in their cause they will have destroyed the very freedom that granted them the right to protest.

Thank you again for your letter. Please convey my thanks to your associates, and keep up the good work.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION June 21, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM: PETER R. SOMMER

SUBJECT: Reply to Lady Olga

Roger Harrison called to express concern about the President's reply to Lady Olga (Tab II). He felt it was too defensive, given that Lady Olga would likely release it publicly. Moreover, the current letter does not add the personal flavor of Price and Meese's involvement. I asked that Embassy London send in a suggested revised letter, which they have now done (Tab III).

In checking out who originated the reply to Lady Olga -- which I never saw -- I discovered that the President had personally dictated it on the plane coming home. Nonetheless, I think Embassy London has a point and that we should do a revised letter. Pending our decision, Embassy London is holding the President's current reply.

RECOMMENDATION

That you arrange for the revised reply -- which combines the original and London's draft -- to be signed and dated June 10.

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Attachments

Tab I - Revised Letter
Tab II - Current Letter
Tab III - London's Draft

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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO LADY OLGA MAITLAND

REF: STATE 178024

- CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE.
- GIVEN THE FACT THAT LADY OLGA MAITLAND PROBABLY WILL PUBLISH THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO HER LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR NATO (REFTEL), WE BELIEVE THAT RESPONSE SHOULD FOCUS LESS ON THE PROTEST MOVEMENT AND MORE ON THE WORK OF OUR SUPPORTERS IN ENUNCIATING THE VIEWS OF THE MAJORITY.
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IT IS VERY HEARTENING TO ME TO REALIZE THAT NATO
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IN EUROPE WILLING TO DEVOTE SO MUCH WORK AND DEDICATION TIME AND EFFORT TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE. I KNOW THAT WHAT YOU AND YOUR ORGANIZATION ARE DOING REQUIRES NOT ONLY CONSIDERABLE ENERGY, BUT SOMETIMES CONSIDERABLE COURAGE AS WELL. WANT TOO TO KNOW THAT YOUR EFFORTS ARE RECOGNIZED AND APPRECIATED HERE, AS I KNOW THEY ARE IN YOUR OWN

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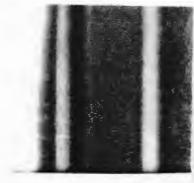
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YOURS TRULY,

RONALD REAGAN. END TEXT PRICE

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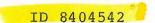
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MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER TYRUS W. COBBOLL

SUBJECT:

Meeting with David Hannay

You have agreed to meet with David Hannay and Derek Thomas tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. Hannay is replacing Thomas as the U.K. DCM here and the meeting is essentially a courtesy call. Jack Matlock will sit in on the session.

Hannay has extensive experience in Mid-East and European Community affairs. He studied Farsi in Tehran, was posted in Kabul before taking the CENTO/Afghan desk in London, and later served as the acting head of the Mid-East Department (1979). He was on the negotiating team handling the British entry into the EC, and since 1979 has served as the Assistant Under Secretary for European Communities.

You will probably wish to reiterate that we greatly value our special relationship with the Brits and the consultative process we have developed through such excellent channels as Derek Thomas. might note that the President thinks highly of Prime Minister Thatcher and recently wrote to her expressing appreciation for her strong words of support for the U.S.-U.K. relationship (excerpt of Thatcher speech at Tab B). Given Hanney's background, he may wish to discuss Persian Gulf developments with you. We would want to emphasize that we should maintain pressure on Iraq and Iran to deescalate and defuse the crisis and to insure that the Straight of Hormuz remains open. We will rely principally on diplomatic action, but if the GCC requests our assistance, we will have to respond firmly.

I understand Hannay, in his initial consultations around town, has been asking our views of the future of the U.K.-U.S. relationship and where we see the American-European tie going in the future. East-West relations is also a possible topic and you will wish to stress our appreciation for the consistent British support for our balanced and realistic approach to the Soviet Union. Hannay's last position, you might ask him to provide you with a British perspective on the UK's troubled relationship with the EC, and for London's view on the probable evolution of European-American relations.

Suggested talking points are at Tab A and an excerpt of Thatcher's May 11 speech is at Tab B.

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Tab A - Talking Points Tab B - Excerpt of Thatcher's Speech 598-002 ±551 7/21/00

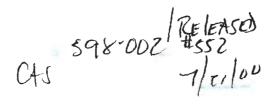
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TALKING POINTS -- MEETING WITH DAVID HANNAY

- -- Welcome to Washington, David. I look forward to a productive relationship with you -- like the one we had with Derek Thomas.
- -- I understand that you have had extensive experience in Middle Eastern affairs. Our consultations with the UK have been excellent, particularly with respect to the Persian Gulf. We agree that our emphasis should be on diplomatic action to insure the Strait remains open and to deescalate the Iraq/Iran conflict. If the GCC requests our assistance, we will have to respond firmly. How do you see the crisis evolving?
- -- The President values highly the special relationship he has with Mrs. Thatcher and the strong support London has consistently given to Washington. The President was especially impressed by Mrs. Thatcher's speech at Perth on May 11.
- -- I know that Britain is experiencing difficulty with the EC and that Mitterrand has openly criticized London's behavior.

 How do you see the UK's role in the EC developing in the future?



- -- Our relations with Europe are particularly good at the present time, although we have some continuing frictions in the economic arena. Still, I anticipate that the London Economic Summit will go well.
- -- Thanks for dropping by and best of luck in your Washington assignment.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE DONALD P. HODEL Secretary of Energy

SUBJECT:

UK-Norway Natural Gas (S)

I am deeply concerned that the "understanding" negotiated between the British Gas Corporation and the Norwegians over purchases from the Sleipner gas field may fall through as a result of reluctance on the part of the UK Treasury to approve the deal. As you are aware, failure to develop North Sea gas reserves would increase the potential for additional Soviet gas sales to Western Europe in the 1990's. We must be prepared to stress to our allies that we take the May 1983 guidelines on energy security established by the International Energy Agency seriously, and that development of indigenous European resources must proceed with all due speed. (5)

British failure to approve quickly the favorable terms negotiated over the past 2 years could significantly delay development of the Sleipner gas field. If Sleipner is postponed, there will be no incentive for Norway to proceed with plans to develop the more costly Troll gas field. Development of Troll is essential to reducing the possibility for increased Soviet gas sales in the 1990's. (5)

Furthermore, if BGC is unable to complete the Sleipner deal, the UK will have to depend heavily on the development of substantial additional volumes of domestic productive capacity. If as seems likely, domestic output falls short of demand requirements, the UK would be forced to bid for the limited quantities of Dutch gas available to the rest of Western Europe. This would improve the market for Soviet gas in Europe and increase the likelihood of increased European dependence on Russian gas. (S)

I know your staff has been monitoring these developments closely, and I appreciate your raising the issue during your recent meeting with UK Energy Secretary Walker and Norwegian Petroleum and Energy Minister Kristiansen. I would like to emphasize my concern that we not allow the President's hard-fought victory on European energy security to be endangered. I have asked Secretary Shultz to be prepared to approach the British at a senior level if it appears that the Sleipner deal is going to collapse. I would urge you to pursue the technical side, in particular, to press the British

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about the feasibility of their ability to serve all UK gas needs from UK sources, especially noting that until recently the UK Department of Energy had strongly questioned the geological possibility and policy wisdom of such a development. (S)

Robert C. McFarlane

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

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FROM:

WILLIAM F. MARTING

ROGER ROBINSON

SUBJECT:

Potential Problem in the Development of

North Sea Gas Field

We believe our concerns over the potential collapse of the "understanding" negotiated by the British Gas Corporation for the purchase of natural gas from Norway's Sleipner field in the North Sea should be officially conveyed to Secretary Hodel at the Department of Energy. These concerns were spelled out in the package attached at Tab II that we prepared for your use with Secretary Shultz.

Messrs. Peter Sommer, Ty Cobb and Jack Matlock concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo to Secretary Hodel at Tab I requesting that he pursue with the British the technical side of the implications of a failure to develop the Sleipner gas field.

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Tab I

Memo to Hodel

II April 13 memo to Farlane

cc: Ben Bonk

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Discussion. If purchases from Sleipner are approved soon, gas could begin to flow late in 1990. Sleipner gas would roughly offset British purchases from the Norwegian Frigg gas field where output is expected to begin declining significantly in 1990. The British Treasury may be attempting to delay approval of the deal in the hope of upsetting the timetable for the project and causing the deal, which has been negotiated over the past two years, to collapse.

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To meet demand requirements without Sleipner would necessitate the purchase of Dutch gas. The Dutch have offered the British less than half the gas that would be available from Sleipner at a price about 20 percent higher than the one agreed upon by BGC for Norwegian gas. This higher price could reduce the British Treasury's enthusiasm for imports from the Netherlands.

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We need to stress to our allies that we take the May 1983 IEA guidelines on energy security very seriously and will not wait for a series of events to demonstrate that European indigenous energy resources are not going to be developed at the required pace. We should immediately send the attached memo to Secretary Shultz requesting that appropriate demarches be prepared for use in the event it appears the Sleipner deal will fall through.

Messrs. Peter Sommer, Ty Cobb and Jack Matlock concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo to Secretary Shultz at Tab I requesting that development plans for Sleipner be closely monitored in order to be prepared to make an appropriate demarche to the British if it appears the deal is in danger of falling through.

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EXTRACT FROM A SPEECH MADE BY MRS MARGARET THATCHER TO THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY IN PERTH ON 11 MAY 1984

Once we settle Europe's internal problems, Europe can look more to its global responsibilities. We are part of the free world. We must act with the free world. And that means, first and foremost, that we should work with our great ally across the Atlantic, the United States. Where would Europe have been in that most difficult and dangerous period after the last war without America? Where would we have been since without America's massive contribution to freedom and security of Europe?

We cannot go on drawing endlessly on American goodwill and generosity without ourselves trying to understand their concerns and the burdens which fall to them. For they are the champions of all the beliefs and ideals which we cherish most deeply.

I believe profoundly that the alliance between Europe and the United States is vital to the defence of the free world. Conservatives will work for a Europe which is a strong partner of the United States and which uses its experience and an increasing part of its resources, to reduce the areas of tension and conflict, to improve the prospects for the poorer countries and to defend and spread beliefs and ideals which are shared by the Western democracies. That is our vision for Europe.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

Secretary Weinberger asked that the attached NODIS cable, which was transmitted from his air plane enroute to Washington, D.C., today be provided to the President.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. MCFARLANE

FROM:

PETER R. SOMMER PETER

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting With Malcolm Mackintosh

Your meeting with Malcolm Mackintosh is set for 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18. Mackintosh currently works for the British Cabinet Office -- somewhat akin to the NSC staff -- though he has a special situation allowing him to "sit outside" the normal British intelligence assessments process. Mackintosh is a career intelligence official; I believe he has worked at the Cabinet Office for six or seven years.

Mackintosh has earned his unique position in the Cabinet Office through his expertise, experience, hard work, and contacts. By reputation, Mackintosh has a close working relationship with Mrs. Thatcher. He travels frequently in a liaison role. Indeed that is what has brought him to Washington. but in addition to Perle, he is seeing bon Gregg and a number of people at State.

Reportedly, Mackintosh's view is that the Soviets currently feel beleaguered. They have suffered setbacks in Europe (INF), Poland remains a problem, Afghanistan is not going well, and Eastern Europe is increasingly showing signs of being restless, especially the Hungarians and the Romanians. As a result, particularly when coupled with their handling of the KAL shoot-down, the Soviets have been rude and recalcitrant, i.e., their's is a policy of diffidence. Even though the Soviets expect the President to be reelected, Mackintosh believes they will follow this policy through mid-1985. I expect his advice to us will be to remain firm, but to keep the rhetoric low and the channels of communications open. This all sounds in line with our thinking, and you should have an interesting discussion.

Mackintosh will be accompanied by Stephan Gomersall from the British Embassy, and DCM Derek Thomas may join as well. I recommend that you include Jack Matlock, and if possible, I would like to sit in.

Jack Matlock concurs.

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES HILL

Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Harold Wilson's Request to Meet With the

President (C)

Thank you for forwarding Harold Wilson's request to meet with the President on April 2. The President's schedule will prevent him from meeting with Harold Wilson. (C)

> Robert M. (Rimmitt Executive Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

PETER R. SOMMER (1000)

SUBJECT:

Harold Wilson's Request to Meet With the

President

Former Labor Party Prime Minister, Harold Wilson (now Lord Wilson) will be in the U.S. next month and has asked to meet briefly with the President on April 2.

In forwarding the request, State notes that there is no particular foreign policy reason for the President to meet with Wilson (Tab II), who currently wields little influence in the U.K. I have also checked informally with the British Embassy, which portrayed its role as simply "conveying Wilson's request."

RECOMMENDATION

Against this background, I recommend that you authorize Bob Kimmitt to sign the memo to Hill at Tab I, noting that the President's schedule will prevent him from meeting with Harold Wilson.

Disapprove

Attachments:

Tab I Memo to Hill

Tab II State's incoming

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Washington, D.C. 20520

March 3. 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Former British Prime Minister Requests Meeting With the President

Harold Wilson, the former Labour Party Prime Minister (now Lord Wilson), will be in the United States making a lecture tour in a month's time. The British Embassy has informed us that during his stay in Washington, March 31 -April 2, he would like to call on the President. Department of State is aware of no foreign policy consideration which would argue in favor of such a meeting taking place. The President may nevertheless wish to receive Lord Wilson for a brief call on April 2 as a matter of courtesy.

Executive Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

PETER R. SOMMER

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with Ambassador Price -- 4:20

p.m., March 8, 1984

You have agreed - at his request - to meet with Charlie Price at 4:20 p.m. on Thursday, March 8. The U.K. desk is not aware of any particular topic that Price wishes to raise. You are well versed on the most logical subjects: East-West relations and the Middle East, including cooperation in the Gulf. Indeed I am told that Price has developed a special interest in the Middle East

I suspect that Price will wish to put down a marker on consultations. He sent you a note earlier this winter asking to be kept informed of any message relayed to Mrs. Thatcher via the privacy channel. Consultations have also become an issue in Embassy London's dealing with SACEUR on INF deployment schedules. General Rogers recently dealt directly with British Defense Minister Heseltine concerning GLCM dispersal training.

Price argued forcefully that INF remains very much a political issue and that Embassy London should maintain politicalmilitary control through the London Working Group, which includes Embassy, U.S. military, and British reps. Eagleburger reportedly planned to speak directly to General Rogers about the need to maintain existing political military coordination arrangements, but I understand Rogers remains intent on working INF directly with the MOD. Price will surely refer to this matter. He may also bring up the interrelationship between controlling the transfer of technology and trade.

You may wish to probe Price on Mrs. Thatcher's current political position, her approach to East-West relations and British attitudes toward the emerging theme of greater European defense cooperation.

I will assume, unless otherwise advised, that you would like to continue your past practice of meeting with Price one-onone.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 11, 1984

VISIT OF BRITISH OPPOSITION LEADER NEIL KINNOCK

DATE:

February 14, 1984

LOCATION:

Oval Office

TIME:

4:00 - 4:20 p.m.

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

- PURPOSE: To keep open our lines of communication with the British Labor Party.
- The British Labor Party, particularly under BACKGROUND: Michael Foot, increasingly took positions inimical to U.S. interests. Following Mrs. Thatcher's landslide victory last June, Neil Kinnock succeeded Foot as Labor Party leader in October, 1983.

Kinnock, a red-haired Welschman, who has long been considerd a comer in the Labor Party, appears determined to moderate his party's policies (except for nuclear disarmamant -- he is a committed unilateralist) and reestablish Labor as a credible alternative to the Thatcher government. Whether he can do this is very much an open question. His visit to Washington is designed to burnish his international credentials and to signal to us and to Labor Party activists his desire to develop closer ties with the U.S. Kinnock will be around for a long time and it is in our interest to establish some form of dialogue, and hopefully take the edge off Labor's anti-american bent.

Kinnock will be making the full rounds in Washington. schedule includes meetings with George Shultz, Cap Weinberger, Larry Eagleburger, leading Democrats, Senator Lugar, private think tanks, an appearance on MacNeil-Lehrer, and an address to the National Press Club. You may recall that we had second thoughts about him meeting with you, but, after checking informally with Mrs. Thatcher's office, agreed to continue the long-established tradition of Presidential meetings with British opposition leaders.

In his session with you, our Embassy in London expects Kinnock to focus on defense, arms control, and East-West relations. defense, he will try to reassure us of his commitment to NATO and to the requirement to improve NATO's conventional forces. He will also seek "understanding" for his goal of a non-nuclear Britain, which carried to its furthest extreme would close U.S.

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bases in Great Britain. He has been critical of our arms control policies in the past. Hence, Kinnock will be looking for assurances that you will continue to seek reductions in both armaments and tensions. These are all familiar topics. Suggested talking points are attached.

State's more comprehensive memo, which also addresses Central American and the Middle East, along with Kinnock's bio, are at Tab A. Given the events of this week, and Labor's opposition to a British military presence in Lebanon, Kinnock may opt to concentrate on the Middle East.

III. PARTICIPANTS

U.S.
The President
The Vice President
Secretary Shultz
Robert C. McFarlane
Assistant Secretary Burt
Peter R. Sommer, NSC
Meese, Baker, Deaver will attend at their discretion.

British

Neil Kinnock, Labor Party Leader Patricia Hewitt, Kinnock's Press Secretary Richard Clements, Kinnock's Executive Assistant

IV. PRESS PLAN

Photo opportunity at beginning of meeting.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

4:00 - 4:05 p.m. Photo opportunity 4:05 - 4:20 p.m. Meeting

TAB A State's memo and Kinnock's bio

Prepared by: Peter R. Sommer

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TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH NEIL KINNOCK

- -- I am delighted to exchange views with you. I would, however, be remiss if I did not express disappointment over the Labor Party's position on a number of vital issues.
- -- Allow me to assure you that I am determined to improve

 East-West relations and to reduce both tensions and

 armaments. Indeed, I dream of getting the Soviets on the

 road to significant cuts in nuclear weapons. I have no more

 compelling priority. But cuts by one side and not the other

 will not enhance the peace we so ardently seek.
- -- It is only through Alliance unity and resolve that the Soviets will negotiate seriously with us. Wavering on our part is not the answer. It is a sad irony that it is deterrence through military strength that prevents war.
- -- As I stressed in my January speech, we challenge the Soviets to join us in an intensified search for peace. We are ready for progress. We seek dialogue with substance, dialogue that takes the interests of both sides into account.

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- The dramatic events in Lebanon over the last week only strengthen our determination to promote a just and lasting solution. If a moderate government is overthrown because it had the courage to turn in the direction of peace, what hope can there be that other moderates in the region will risk committing themselves to a similar course.
- -- This is why our joint efforts with our European partners have not been in vain. We understand why the United Kingdom, like ourselves, had to redeploy its small peacekeeping force. We were impressed with the professionalism of the British soldier.
- -- We will not yield to violence and terrorism. Recent events have not deterred us. We will protect our forces on the ground. Indeed, our recent initiatives are designed to enable us to more effectively support the forces of moderation and to promote reconciliation.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE BRIEFING PAPER



THE PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH BRITISH LABOR PARTY LEADER NEIL KINNOCK

I. SETTING

During the past two decades, US Administrations of both parties have maintained close contact and cordial relations with leaders of Britain's opposition party, whether Tory or Labor. The one exception to this long standing practice was former British Labor Party Leader Michael Foot, under whose left-wing leadership once strong Labor ties to the US withered. Shortly after his election as party leader last October, Kinnock affirmed his desire to move his party back to its traditional support for strong Atlantic ties.

Under Kinnock's leadership, the Labor Party is beginning to pull out of its post-election depression, and has moved back toward the political mainstream. He will want to burnish his image as Labor Leader by being seen to deal with senior American officials on an equal basis. Kinnock also sees his visit as an important opportunity to reassure the US about his foreign policy orientation. He intends to leave his Washington interlocutors with no doubt about his commitment to NATO and a strong conventional defense for Britain.

Nevertheless, for both philosphical and domestic political reasons, Labor has criticized US policy on INF deployment, arms control, and East-West relations. The most vehement attacks have been made by Labor's Shadow Foreign Secretary Denis Healey. In public, Kinnock has taken the high road, but he has made no secret of his opposition to the Administration's policies. Last month, Kinnock told a delegation headed by Congressman Lantos that Labor's mood was "anti-Reagan" not "anti-American."

Kinnock maintains that Britain can no longer afford nuclear armaments, and a Labor government should make the transition to a non-nuclear defense before it is forced on Britain by economic necessity. Such a defense policy would include the removal of US nuclear weapons from the UK. Britain would remain an active partner in NATO but, by unilaterally abandoning nuclear weapons, could play a bridging role between the West and the third world.

Kinnock claims that the US and the USSR are equally responsible for the breakdown of arms control talks. He will seek assurances that the President's message of January 16 is part of a coherent plan to ease East-West tension and to reduce levels of nuclear weapons. Kinnock will reportedly visit the Soviet Union in the spring.

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On Central America, Kinnock will argue that US policy in the region is one of the main causes for anti-Americanism in Britain. Kinnock welcomes the basic political, social, and economic goals of the Kissinger report, but differs strongly on the role of military aid and support for the Contras.

In the Middle East, Labor has criticized the MNF, complaining that it put British lives to risk for no good purpose. Kinnock recently told a group of US Congressmen that he recognized Israel's requirement for safety and security on its borders, but he could see no sense in Israel's policy of creating security by threat of "counter-annihilation."

Kinnock is distressed that the US did not provide full funding for IDA replenishment and appears uninterested in flexible dialogue with the third world to resolve trade and debt problems. Labor identifies the present US and British governments as opponents of North-South economic cooperation.

II. OBJECTIVES

Despite strong policy differences with the Administration, both Kinnock's desire to begin a new, more constructive relation with the United States, and his inexperience in foreign affairs, offer the opportunity to:

- -- Demonstrate that the close ties and good will, which are the basis of trust and cooperation in the US-UK relations, transcend partisan differences in both countries.
- -- Educate Labor's inexperienced leader on the realities of world politics, especially on security issues.
- -- Reaffirm our commitment to strengthen NATO's ablility to deter war and maintain the peace, while seeking verifiable arms reductions with the Soviet Union.
- -- Underscore your willingness to establish a meaningful dialogue and an improved working relationship with the Soviet Union.
- -- Stress that the Anglo-American ideals of democratic pluralism and and individual freedom are what we wish to see prosper elsewhere, particularly in Latin America and the Middle East.



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MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

PETER R. SOMMER PETER

SUBJECT:

President's Meeting with Neil Kinnock, Leader of the British Labor Party: February 14, 1984, 4:00 - 4:20 p.m.

Attached for your signature is the briefing memorandum for the President's use in preparing for his twenty minute meeting, February 14, with Neil Kinnock.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Approve ____ Disapprove____

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January 26, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

PETER SOMMER Peer

SUBJECT:

Neil Kinnock Requests an Appointment

In addition to his meeting with the President, which is set for February 14, Neil Kinnock has asked to meet with you. Given his meeting with the President and the views you expressed in the course of arranging the Presidential meeting, I see no need to set up a separate appointment for you.

RECOMMENDATION

That I inform Kinnock's office (via the British Embassy) that you regrettably cannot meet with him.

Approve

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FROM:	PETER R. SOMME	R (Peter			

SUBJECT: Presidential Meeting with British Labor Party Leader, Neil Kinnock

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum to Charles Hill informing the Department of State of the President's scheduled meeting with Neil Kinnock.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I to Charles Hill.

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Attachment:

Tab I Proposed memorandum to State

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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January 24, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHARLES HILL

Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Presidential Meeting with British Labor Party

Leader, Neil Kinnock (U)

The President will meet with British Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock, on Tuesday, February 14, 1984, from 4:30 to 4:50 p.m. (C)

Please provide briefing materials, suggested talking points and biographical information on Mr. Kinnock by February 9. Thank you. (U)

Robert M. Kimmitt Executive Secretary

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I AM ENROUTE BACK TO WASHINGTON AFTER TWO DAYS IN LONDON AND THE VISIT TO OUR FORCES IN LEBANON THAT I MENTIONED TO YOU LAST WEEK.

WHILE IN LONDON I MET WITH MRS. THATCHER WHO BEGAN OUR MEETING BY OBSERVING THAT US-UK RELATIONS WERE SOUND AND THAT WE MUST CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN CONSISTENCY IN OUR CONSULTATIVE PROCESS. SHE SPOKE BRIEFLY OF HER TRIP TO HUNGARY AND TO THE ANDROPOV FUNERAL. SHE SAID THAT BOTH THE HUNGARIANS AND SOVIETS WERE PREDICTABLY CRITICAL OF THE U.S. THE SOVIETS ARGUED TO HER THAT IT WAS DIFFICULT TO FORESEE ARMS CONTROL PROGRESS SINCE WE HAD NOT RATIFIED SALT II. WE COVERED A NUMBER OF MID-EAST ISSUES. SHE AGREED THAT THE POSITION OF THE MNF HAD INDEED BECOME UNTENABLE. SHE NOTED THAT THE SHAMIR GOVERNMENT WAS SHAKEY AND WONDERED IF CURRENT ISRAELI POLICIES WERE ACCEPTABLE TO AMERICAN JEWISH OPINION. SHE WAS QUITE FRANK AND CRITICAL OF ISRAELI POLICIES. SHE ALSO ENCOURAGED OUR STRONG SUPPORT OF KING HUSSEIN. I REVIEWED OUR LEBANON POLICY AND OUTLINED THE SUPPORT WE ARE PROVIDING TO PRESIDENT GEMAYEL. I ALSO OUTLINED OUR SUPPORT FOR KING HUSSEIN TO INCLUDE THE JLP.

MRS. THATCHER EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE IRAN-IRAQ WAR. SHE NOTED THAT THE WEST DID NOT NEED ANOTHER SUCCESS BY MUSLIM FUNDAMENTALISTS. IF THE STRAITS OF HORMUZ WERE CLOSED AND IT BECAME NECESSARY TO TAKE MILITARY ACTION TO REOPEN THEM, SHE SAID WE MIGHT DISCUSS THIS BEFOREHAND WITH THE SOVIETS TO MAKE IT CLEAR TO THEM WE WERE SOLELY INTERESTED IN FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION AND NOT A WIDER CONFLICT. I REVIEWED FOR THE PRIME MINISTER OUR POLICIES IN CENTRAL AMERICA, THE PRC, AND THE GENERAL ISSUE OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.

I ALSO MET SEPARATELY WITH FOREIGN MINISTER HOWE, MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENSE HESELTINE, AND LORD CARRINGTON, THE NEW NATO SECRETARY GENERAL, WITH WHOM I TALKED AT OUR EMBASSY FOR ABOUT AN HOUR BEFORE CHARLEY PRICE'S VERY NICE LUNCH FOR US.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

Secretary Weinberger asked that the attached NODIS cable, which was transmitted from his air plane enroute to Washington, D.C., today be provided to the President.

R. J. Zlatoper

Captain, U.S. Navy

Military Assistant to the Secretary of Defense

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