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FILE: UK

Meeting of William P. Clark with  
British Ambassador Sir Oliver Wright  
Oct. 4, 1982 / 2:30 p.m.

Peter Jenkins attending with Wright  
Jenkins Blair attending with Clark

On Middle east, Wright repeated UK  
support for President's initiative and  
said UK was doing what it could  
to support

On Northern Ireland, Wright stated that  
The Poir plan was designed to try to  
start responsible political activity in  
Northern Ireland.

Wright pointed out the necessity  
to show progress in the IAF talks  
in Geneva to keep the  
European peace movement down

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Short discussion of the coming visit by the Queen. Apparently Weaver's office working directly with Wright on this visit.

Discussion of the NA's - European strains. Wright generally optimistic that we will get through the current difficulties. However mentioned that U.S. sanctions were having a "ripple effect" in the U.K.

FILE:UG

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

October 14, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR JACQUE HILL <sup>we</sup>

FROM: DENNIS BIDER <sup>DB</sup>

SUBJECT: Request for Meeting with Judge Clark by U.K. Defense Minister Hurd

The British embassy has requested that Clark schedule a meeting with Douglas Hurd on October 27. The subjects of the meeting would be the Middle East, and defense/arms control issues. I recommend against the meeting. Hurd can deal with State on these issues.

RECOMMENDATION

That you inform me that Clark will not be able to meet with Douglas Hurd on October 27.

WC:

I recall you met with Hurd at State and it was not very productive.

Recommend you not see him.

*Unavailable*  
*agree*

~~you will probably be travelling w/ Pres. in afternoon.~~ j

*Informed Richard Pakenham 10/8/82*

~~Dennis:~~  
~~we will~~

National Security Council  
The White House

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John Poindexter	_____	_____	_____
Bud McFarlane	_____	_____	_____
Jacque Hill	_____	_____	_____
Judge Clark	_____	_____	_____
John Poindexter	<u>1</u>	<i>J</i>	_____
Staff Secretary	_____	_____	_____
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COMMENTS

*I think the President would like to see Maggie's comments.*

*JL*

FILE: UK

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FROM THE AMBASSADOR

BRITISH EMBASSY  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20008  
TELEPHONE: (202) 462-1340

15 October 1982

The Honorable  
William P Clark  
National Security Advisor  
The White House  
WASHINGTON DC

*Dear Sir,*

I thought you might like to see the enclosed passage about defence and the North Atlantic Alliance in the Prime Minister's speech at the Conservative Party Conference at Brighton on 8 October.

*Yours,*

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Oliver Wright', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Oliver Wright



First, I want to come to something that dwarfs party politics - indeed, to an issue that dwarfs every other issue of our time.

We have invented weapons powerful enough to destroy the whole world. Others have created political systems evil enough to seek to enslave the whole world. Every free nation must face that threat. Every free nation must strain both to defend its freedom and to ensure the peace of the world.

The first duty of a British Government is the defence of the realm, and we shall discharge that duty.

Ever since the war the principal threat to our country's safety has come from the Soviet bloc. Twenty-six years ago the Russians marched into Hungary. Twenty-one years ago they built the Berlin Wall. Fourteen years ago they reconquered Czechoslovakia. Three years ago they entered Afghanistan. Two years ago they began to suppress the first stirrings of freedom in Poland.

They knew the strength of the human spirit. They knew that if freedom were allowed to take root in Poland it would spread across Eastern Europe and perhaps to the Soviet Union itself. They knew that the beginning of freedom spelt the beginning of the end for Communism.

Yet despite these regular reminders of the ruthless actions of the Kremlin there are still those who seem to believe that disarmament by ourselves alone would so impress the Russians that they would obligingly follow suit.

But peace, freedom and justice are only to be found where people are prepared to defend them. This government will give the highest priority to our national defence, both conventional and nuclear.

I want to see nuclear disarmament. I want to see conventional disarmament as well. I remember the atomic bombs that devastated Hiroshima and Nagasaki. I remember, too, the bombs that devastated Coventry and Dresden. The horrors of war are indivisible. We all want peace, but not peace at any price. Peace with justice and freedom.

We seek agreement with the Soviet Union on arms control. We want to reduce the levels of both conventional and nuclear forces. But those reductions must be mutual, they must be balanced and they must be verifiable.

I understand the feelings of the unilateralists. I understand the anxieties of partners with children growing up in the nuclear age. But the fundamental question for all of us is whether unilateral nuclear disarmament would make a war less likely.

I have to tell you that it would not. It would make war more likely. Aggressors attack because they think they are going to win, and they are more likely to attack the weak than they are to attack the strong.

The springs of war lie not in arms races, real or imaginary, but in the readiness to use force or threaten force against other nations. Remember what Bismarck said: "Do I want war? Of course not. I want victory". The causes of wars in the past have not changed, as we know to our cost. But because Russia and the West know that there can be no victory in nuclear war, for 37 years we have kept the peace in Europe, and that is no mean achievement.

That is why we need nuclear weapons, because having them makes peace more secure.

A strong and united Western Alliance is a guarantee of our peace and security. It is also a beacon of hope to the oppressed people of the Soviet bloc. Britain is a reliable ally, and will always remain so, reliable in NATO, reliable beyond NATO, an ally and a friend to be trusted.

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*G.K.*

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BRITISH EMBASSY

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20008

TELEPHONE: 202 462-1340

FROM THE AMBASSADOR

26 October 1982

The Honorable  
William P Clark  
Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs  
The White House  
Washington DC 20500

*Dear Mr. Clark,*

I enclose two letters from the Prime Minister to President Reagan which I have been asked to pass to you for onward transmission.

*Yours sincerely,*

Oliver Wright

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THE PRIME MINISTER

19 October 1982

*Dear Ron,*

Thank you very much for your letter about Don Rumsfeld's visit to discuss the Law of the Sea Convention. I shall, of course, be delighted to see him. Arrangements are being made through the usual channels.

*Every good wish.*

*Yours ever*

*Raymond*

The President of the United States of America

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THE PRIME MINISTER

16 October 1982

*Dear Ron,*

Thank you both very much for remembering my birthday. I am extremely grateful to you for this kind thought.

With all best wishes.

*James  
Raymond*

The President of the United States of America

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10 DOWNING STREET

16 October 1982

THE PRIME MINISTER

*Mr. [unclear]*

Thank you both very much for remembering  
my birthday. I am extremely grateful to you  
for this kind thought.  
With all best wishes

*[Handwritten signature]*

The President of the United States of America

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White House Guidelines, August 28, 1997

By dlb NARA, Date 7/17/06

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TAGS: MILI, MOPS, PEPR, PINT, LE, UK, US  
SUBJECT: BRITISH PARTICIPATION IN LEBANESE PEACEKEEPING  
EFFORTS  
REF: (A) STATE 306087, (B) STATE 304454, (C) STATE 304322,  
(D) LONDON 23404

1. ~~S~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SUMMARY: THE BRITISH WILL BE RELUCTANT TO PROVIDE A BATTALION-SIZE FORCE TO THE MNF, UNLESS WE PERSUADE THATCHER TO PARTICIPATE. THERE FOLLOW SUGGESTIONS ON HOW WE AND THE LEBANESE CAN PUT OUR BEST CASE FORWARD. END SUMMARY.
3. WE BELIEVE HMG CAN BE PERSUADED TO HELP TRAIN LEBANESE ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL BUT WILL BE RELUCTANT TO COMMIT A BATTALION-SIZE FORCE TO THE MNF. OUR SOUNDINGS INDICATE THAT THE FCO THINKS BRITAIN UNQUESTIONABLY SHOULD JOIN THE MNF; THAT THE MOD IS INCREASINGLY CONCERNED ABOUT ANY ADDITIONAL UK SECURITY COMMITMENTS IN THE POST-FALKLANDS PERIOD; THAT THE TREASURY WILL ARGUE AGAINST PARTICIPATION ON GROUNDS THAT BRITAIN CANNOT AFFORD IT; AND THAT THATCHER HAS HARDENED AGAINST FURTHER MILITARY COMMITMENTS ABROAD. THESE RESERVATIONS WERE PROBABLY REFLECTED IN DOUGLAS HURD'S EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS REMARKS IN WASHINGTON (REF C), WHICH DIFFERED FROM HIS COMMENT SEVERAL WEEKS AGO ON BRITISH TELEVISION THAT BRITAIN WOULD CONSIDER SYMPATHETICALLY A REQUEST TO CONTRIBUTE TROOPS TO LEBANON (LONDON 20947) AND PYM'S FAVORABLE VIEWS IN COPENHAGEN ABOUT PARTICIPATION IN AN INTERNATIONAL PEACE FORCE IN LEBANON (LONDON 20478).
4. OUR SOUNDINGS INDICATE THAT THATCHER HERSELF MUST BE CONVINCED THAT BRITAIN SHOULD JOIN THE MNF BEFORE HMG WILL BUDGE. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE MOST EFFECTIVE FOR WASHINGTON TO PURSUE THE ISSUE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF HMG IN SUPPORT OF THE LEBANESE REQUEST, AND TO KEEP IN MIND THAT A DIRECT APPROACH TO THATCHER FROM PRESIDENTS REAGAN AND GEMAYEL ARE LIKELY TO BE MORE PERSUASIVE ON AN ISSUE WHERE POSITIONS HERE HAVE ALREADY HARDENED THAN MESSAGES PASSED UP BY PYM. CHANCES OF SUCCESS WOULD BE ENHANCED IF WE CUT BY HALF THE SIZE OF THE UK TROOP REQUEST AND/OR SHORTEN THE DURATION OF COMMITMENT TO THREE-SIX MONTHS.

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5. FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS COULD BE USEFULLY WORKED INTO  
U. S. /LEBANESE APPROACHES:  
-- STRICT REASSURANCES SHOULD BE CONVEYED THAT BRITAIN  
WILL NOT BE AGREEING TO AN OPEN-ENDED COMMITMENT. THE  
BRITISH SHOULD BE TOLD EXPLICITLY THAT THEIR MNF CONTINGENT  
WILL BE WITHDRAWN NO LATER THAN A DATE CERTAIN REGARDLESS  
OF PROGRESS MADE IN EXPANDING THE CAPABILITIES AND SIZE  
OF THE LAF.  
-- MESSAGES TO THATCHER SHOULD REMIND HER OF LEBANON'S  
SUFFERING, STRESS LEBANESE DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE SELF-  
RELIANCE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, INDICATE RESPECT FOR  
BRITAIN'S RESPONSIBLE AND ACTIVE ROLE IN EFFORTS TO SECURE  
PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE ARE  
AWARE OF BRITAIN'S THINLY STRETCHED MILITARY RESOURCES.  
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SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER FROM THE PRESIDENT  
ON UNGA FALKLANDS RESOLUTION

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER TODAY, NOVEMBER 1, THE  
FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRIME MINISTER  
THATCHER. THERE WILL BE NO SIGNED ORIGINAL.

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MARGARET:

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BY - WJ  
NARA, DATE 4/28/08

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I HAVE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO THE ISSUES RAISED BY YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 25. I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE TO YOU OF THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTION ON THE FALKLANDS, AND APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERNS.

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WHEN WE WERE FIRST APPROACHED BY THE ARGENTINE REPRESENTATIVES ON THEIR PROPOSED RESOLUTION, WE MADE VERY CLEAR OUR OBJECTION TO MUCH OF ITS CONTENT. THEY WERE THE SAME OBJECTIONS WHICH YOUR LETTER IDENTIFIES. WE EMPHASIZED THAT THE UNITED STATES COULD NOT ACCEPT ANY RESOLUTION WHICH

PREJUDGED THE QUESTIONS OF SOVEREIGNTY OR THE OUTCOME OF ANY NEGOTIATION. WE FURTHER STRESSED THAT WE COULD NOT SUPPORT ANY RESOLUTION WITH UNREALISTIC DEADLINES ON NEGOTIATIONS OR OTHER PROCESSES OF PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT.

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ARGENTINA, HOWEVER, NOW PROPOSES TO DELETE REFERENCES TO THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT'S COMMUNIQUE WHICH SPECIFICALLY PREJUDGE THE QUESTION OF SOVEREIGNTY, TO REAFFIRM EXPRESSLY PRINCIPLES OF THE UN CHARTER CONCERNING NON-USE OF FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES WHICH MAKE THE RESOLUTION MORE MODERATE. WHILE THE REVISED VERSION SUGGESTS NEGOTIATIONS AT AN EARLIER RATHER THAN LATER DATE, WE DO NOT CONSIDER THIS TO BE A STRICT DEADLINE. WE CONCLUDE THAT THE RESOLUTION IN ITS REVISED FORM DOES NOT LEGALLY PREJUDICE THE POSITION OF EITHER PARTY IN THE DISPUTE.

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THE UNITED KINGDOM IS JUSTIFIABLY CONCERNED THAT THERE WAS NO REFERENCE TO THE RECENT HOSTILITIES OR TO SELF-DETERMINATION IN THE RESOLUTION. THE MOST RECENT REVISIONS TO THE DRAFT EXPRESSLY REFER TO THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES AND THE INTENTION OF THE PARTIES NOT TO RENEW THEM, COUPLED WITH REAFFIRMATION OF THE PRINCIPLES OF NON-USE OF FORCE AND PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES. THE UNITED STATES ASSUMES THAT ANY NEGOTIATIONS UNDERTAKEN BY THE

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UNITED KINGDOM AND ARGENTINA WOULD NECESSARILY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE VIEWS OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDERS. THE REFERENCE TO RESOLUTION 1514 OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDERSCORES THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION, AND THE REVISED DRAFT NOW EXPRESSLY REFERS TO THE NECESSITY OF TAKING THE INTERESTS OF THE ISLANDERS INTO ACCOUNT.

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OUR SUPPORT FOR YOUR POSITION DURING THE HOSTILITIES WAS BASED ON OUR STRONG BELIEF THAT DISPUTES BETWEEN COUNTRIES SHOULD BE RESOLVED PEACEFULLY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER. WE CONTINUE TO HOLD THAT BELIEF AND SUPPORT YOUR POSITION THAT ANY SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE CONTEXT OF ALL RELEVANT ELEMENTS OF THE UN CHARTER. WE DO NOT BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT THE RESOLUTION, AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN, PREJUDICES THAT POSITION AND CONSIDER THAT IT IS MODERATELY POSITIVE IN REAFFIRMING THE FUNDAMENTAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CHARTER CONCERNING THE NON-USE OF FORCE. FOR THESE REASONS WE BELIEVE IT REASONABLE NOW TO VOTE FOR THE SUBSTANTIALLY MODIFIED RESOLUTION.

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WE UNDERSTAND YOUR RELUCTANCE TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS

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WHEN LOSS OF LIFE REMAINS FRESH IN EVERYONE'S MIND, WE CAN APPRECIATE YOUR DESIRE FOR A COOLING OFF PERIOD AND MORE CONCRETE EVIDENCE FROM ARGENTINA THAT IT WILL NOT RESORT AGAIN TO FURTHER USE OF FORCE. NEVERTHELESS, WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE OPTIONS OF NEGOTIATIONS OR OTHER MEANS OF PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT NOT BE FORECLOSED, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA NOW SUGGESTING NEGOTIATIONS IS A DIFFERENT ONE FROM THE ONE WHICH LAUNCHED THE AGGRESSION.

MARGARET, I KNOW HOW YOU HAVE ANGUISHED OVER THIS CONFLICT FROM THE BEGINNING. YOUR COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP THROUGHOUT HAVE BEEN A SOURCE OF DEEP PERSONAL INSPIRATION TO ME.

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I COUNT IT AS A PRIVILEGE TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SUPPORT  
YOU AND BRITAIN AT THIS CRITICAL MOMENT. YOU MAY BE  
ABSOLUTELY CONFIDENT THAT I WOULD DO IT ALL AGAIN THE SAME  
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SINCERELY, /S/ RON. END TEXT. SHULTZ  
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