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December 3, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

SUBJECT

Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

Attached is George Shultz's Evening Report for Friday, December 2, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver





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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From

George P. Shultz 415

- 1. Stone Meets With Nicaraguan Opposition. On November 30 and December 1, Ambassador Stone met with the Nicaraguan opposition groups. All five favor dialogue with the Nicaraguan Government either directly or through an intermediary, using an agenda based on the Sandinistas' 1979 promises to the OAS. The groups stressed, however, that fighting will end only in exchange for the establishment of full democracy in Nicaragua. The opposition groups' offer to begin talks provides an opportunity to test the Sandinistas' recent conciliatory gestures and claims to be open to negotiations. (C)
- Arafat Asks for UN Help in Withdrawal from Tripoli. The PLO and Arab League representatives in New York today asked the Security Council to authorize the use of the UN flag on ships which would evacuate Arafat supporters from Tripoli. We understand the initial reaction of UNSC members has been cautious. (C)
- Crocker Scores Commonwealth Position on Namibia. The recent Commonwealth Conference took negative positions on southern Africa, including direct criticism of the US. Our unhappiness has led to a Thatcher press statement that the "Contact Group has made more progress than any other organization" and acknowledging linkage as a reality. Larry Eagleburger conveyed our displeasure to the British and Canadians. Yesterday the State Department spokesman spelled out our determination to carry on. To make our views clear, Chet Crocker told the Overseas Writers Association we continue to work for a peaceful settlement in southern Africa, including Cuban withdrawal. Calling the Commonwealth a "gentlemanly version of the UN General Assembly", Crocker said we do not have time for those who criticize but offer no solutions. (C)
- 4. State/Defense Team Consultations With Saudi Arabia. The State/Defense team visiting the Persian Gulf states for consultations on steps to contain escalation of the Iraq-Iran war met with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud in Riyadh on December 1. Saud's questions suggested the Saudis are concerned about the danger of escalation and are beginning to realize the degree of joint planning that would be a requisite to effective US action. Saud did express concern that there be a "legal basis" for any military action. remark probably reflects the preference of some within the Gulf Cooperation Council to get UN Security Council blessing for any specific actions to keep the Gulf open. A negative note was struck at the conclusion of this meeting when Saud expressed his unhappiness with the announcement of strengthened US-Israeli military cooperation. (S)
- US Reply to Chinese Protest on ADB Legislation Language. Eagleburger delivered our formal response to the Chinese protest about references to the "Republic of China" in ADB funding legislation on December 1. He cited your statement on signing the bill and stressed its significance. He then raised the recent spate of comments by Chinese officials which asserted that a shadow had been cast over Premier Zhao's planned visit in January and yours in April. Larry told the Chinese Ambassador that if they were trying to tell us something they should do so without resorting to veiled hints. He also reiterated Mike Deaver's point that it would be difficult to assure a successful visit by Premier Zhao if the Chinese advance team did not arrive by December 7. (SECRET/SENSITIVE)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT:

Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

Attached is George Shultz's evening report for Monday, December 5, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

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FROM:

George P. Shultz

1. Syria: Captured U.S. Pilots. The Syrian Foreign Minister has told us that the airman who was apparently killed by ground fire while parachuting will be turned over to the Lebanese Army in Lebanon for transferral to the US. Arrangements for the handover are now underway. We have been told by the Foreign Minister that the pilot who survived is alive and in good health in Damascus. We have asked the Syrians to release him and have also made a formal request for assistance from the ICRC. The ICRC is willing to help and has already initiated inquiries.

We have been told that President Assad himself will decide whether Goodman, the pilot who survived, will be released. We have no notification from the Syrian government of a decision, although there are now unconfirmed press reports alleging that the Syrian Defense Minister has said the pilot will be released only when hostilities between the US and Syria are over and US troops have been withdrawn from Lebanon. We are treating this press story with caution in the absence of any confirmation of this Syrian position through diplomatic channels in Damascus. (S)

2. State of US-UK Relations: UK Ambassador Wright called on Ken Dam this afternoon to express his concerns about the cumulative effect on US-UK relations of our disagreements or different views about such matters as Grenada, the world economy, the Middle East and Argentina. Wright, who will be returning to London for three days of consultations, is concerned that these differences may have affected public perceptions -- on both sides of the Atlantic -- of the value and durability of the "special relationship." Responding to two of these concerns specifically, Ken affirmed that recent US military action in Lebanon was defensive and in no way represented a change in the MNF mission; he also assured Wright that we would do everything possible to assist HMG in managing British public reaction to Argentine certification. (S)

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December 7, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

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Acting Secretary Dam's Evening Report

Attached is Kenneth Dam's evening report for Monday, December 6, 1983.

cc: The Vice President

Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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December 6, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Kenneth W. Dam, Acting KUP

1. French Assess Sandinista Signals as "Conciliatory." The French Ambassador called on me this morning, on instructions from Paris, to pass on that they believe recent Sandinista statements are "conciliatory signals" that the GRN wants to reach some accommodation with us. In the French view, the more moderate "nationalistic" elements within the ruling junta temporarily have the upper hand. The French see this as a fragile "window of opportunity" and urge that we not rebuff these overtures. Otherwise, the French fear the hardline, pro-Soviet elements within the coalition will win out. I assured him that we are taking careful note of these developments but are also waiting to see something concrete behind these general statements.

Noting that Paris has generally refrained from publicly criticizing U.S. policy in Central America over the past year, the Ambassador warned that if the Sandinistas make an effort toward the U.S. and there is no positive U.S. response, we can expect renewed French criticism of our Central America policy. (S)

2. My Meeting with Senegalese Foreign Minister. I met today with Foreign Minister Niasse, who came to Washington to sign the first Bilateral Investment Treaty that we have successfully negotiated with a sub-Saharan African country. It resulted from Abdou Diouf's commitment to you in Washington to open Senegal's doors to American investors.

Niasse used the occasion to reaffirm Senegalese friendship for the U.S., citing Senegal's efforts against the UN resolution condemning us on Grenada, and Senegalese opposition to Libyan designs in Africa, including refusal of offered Libyan economic assistance. He also congratulated us on our effort to move Mozambique toward the West, a move that he sees as decisive, and urged us to take advantage of the development by continuing to offer our support to the shaky Mozambican regime. (C)

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December 8, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT:

Acting Secretary Dam's Evening Report

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cc: The Vice President

Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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December 7, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Kenneth W. Dam, Acting

- 1. Captured American Flyer. Syria today turned over the body of Lt. Lange to the Lebanese Army. The body has been transferred to the U.S. Naval Hospital in Naples, Italy. Syrian Acting Minister of Information (and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs) Faruq al-Shar' has stated that Syria considers its surviving captive, Lt. Goodman, a prisoner of war, and that he will be treated in accordance with international obligations. Ambassador Paganelli has not received an official response to inquiries made to senior Syrian officials Sunday and Monday. He is continuing to press at the highest levels. We have contacted the ICRC and it is undertaking parallel efforts to our own.
- 2. Breakfast with Senator Kasten. This morning I had breakfast with Senator Kasten (R.-Wisconsin), Chairman of the Foreign Operations Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee. He showed great interest in the Egypt-Israel relationship, in our coordination with Israel as a result of the Shamir visit, and in a general breakdown betweem MAP and ESF of aid to Israel.

We talked about his forthcoming trip to Grenada and Central America, and he explained his hold on the reprogramming of \$5 million from ESF funds for use in training a security force for Grenada. He said we would get the money in the end; his hold is tactical in connection with a difference of views with Senator Hatfield.

3. Further Delays in Philippine Aid. The Philippines' inability satisfactorily to answer IMF questions is forcing a delay of perhaps another month in the implementation of an economic/financial assistance package consisting of a new IMF standby, additional commercial bank credits and bilateral governmental aid. Yet another IMF team will depart tonight for Manila in order to discuss how to cover a new and unexpected financing gap. While we are helping the GOP in smaller ways to overcome its economic problems, decisive assistance is only possible after the IMF package deal is in place.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT:

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cc: The Vice President Ed Meese

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December 8, 1983

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THE PRESIDENT

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- 1. START No Resumption Date. At the final meeting of the current round of START in Geneva, Soviet Delegation leader Karpov stated that because of "the change in the overall strategic situation" occasioned by the deployment of U.S. LRINF missiles, the Soviet Union would be forced to "reconsider all questions under discussion" and thus could not agree to a specific date for resumption of the talks. Ambassador Rowny expressed regret at the Soviet action and reiterated our interest in resuming the negotiations in early February. (S)
- 2. Argentina Announcement of US Decision to Certify. The decision to certify Argentina on human rights was announced today at the State Department's noon briefing. Chilean President General Pinochet, after reading your letter on the subject, expressed his deep disappointment that Chile was not also certified, and claimed that Argentine certification was aimed at pressuring Chile to return to democracy. When the Vice President attends Alfonsin's inauguration on Saturday, he will discuss with the new President our support for democracy, our concern that not all Argentine nuclear facilities are under international safeguards and our support for negotiated settlements of Argentina's territorial disputes with Chile and the UK. (S)
- 3. Southern Africa: Suspension of French Participation in the Contact Group. French Foreign Minister Cheysson told his parliament yesterday that France would suspend its membership in the Western Five Contact Group. The French tell us privately they will not leave the group; but they will not join its deliberations until the way to a Namibian settlement is clear. The Secretary and Geoffrey Howe spoke to Cheysson this morning at the MNF ministerial and told him of our displeasure and that we expected to consult. (C)

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

December 9, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Kenneth W. Dam, Acting KwD

1. Briefings for House Members on Lebanon. This morning, at the request of Dante Fascell, the new Acting Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Larry Eagleburger briefed 40 Members of the House in closed session on the situation in Lebanon. The questions were serious and non-political, covering the matter of our national interest in Lebanon, the mission of the Marines, their possible redeployment, and Syrian goals.

This afternoon, I met with Speaker O'Neill and members of his Ad Hoc Group on Lebanon (all Democrats). I was accompanied by Assistant Secretary of Defense Armitage. The questioning was tough and pointed, with the members indicating that they are running out of patience and that public support would evaporate if there are more casualties and no positive political results by the time Congress returns. I warned that any Congressional action to withdraw U.S. Marines precipitously from Lebanon would only encourage those who oppose reconciliation and the extension of the Lebanese government's sovereignty. (C)

- 2. Meetings with El Salvador's Defense Minister. General Carlos Vides Casanova, here to see Henry Kissinger's commission, met with me today and later with Larry Eagleburger. I congratulated Gen. Vides on the strong statement he recently made in El Salvador condemning the death squads. Vides said that he meant business and was travelling to military posts throughout El Salvador to be sure his message was understood. He suggested that, in order to obtain hard evidence against those engaged in the death squads, he may seek our technical assistance to improve his investigative capabilities. He was upbeat on the military situation. Without our help, however, he thought the process could become drawn out, at a high cost to the economy and in human lives as well. (C)
- 3. Visit of Politico-Military Team to Gulf States. In response to your instruction in NSDD-114, a small State-DOD team has been visiting the Gulf states during the past week to lay the groundwork for military cooperation we will need if Iran tries to close the Strait of Hormuz or attacks friendly Gulf states. The reception was remarkably positive. All the Gulf states, except Saudi Arabia, agreed to receive a follow-up DOD team in late December or early January for detailed military-to-military consultations. The Saudis have not yet agreed to military talks, but have asked for a briefing. (S)



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