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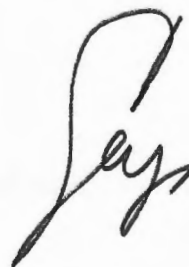
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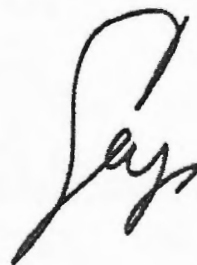
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Israeli MOD Sharon Visit: Frank Carlucci and I met with General Sharon and discussed at length his strong desires for "Strategic Cooperation" talks, and the long list of facilities, bases, etc. he has offered us. We made clear, and he immediately accepted the fact that, all of these joint efforts would be directed against possible Soviet threats to the Mid-East as a whole.

I also reminded him that we were fully committed to the sale of the AWACS to Saudi Arabia, and that a loss on that issue would make it difficult for us to accomplish much of what we see as both a necessity and an opportunity in the Mid-East.

He said he understood. He wants another meeting with me here in November, and I agreed. Working groups will be established to examine details of the various areas of proposed cooperation between us. (S)

Dedication of the MacArthur Corridor: Your participation in this ceremony was deeply appreciated by the Department, by Mrs. MacArthur, and, of course, by me. I have heard most enthusiastic comments about your speech and the fact that you and Nancy came. Many thanks. (U)

AWACS Sales to Saudi Arabia: The 20 day informal Congressional notification period for AWACS sales to Saudi Arabia began on September 9, and the 30 day formal review period will begin on September 29. Our Legislative Affairs staffs are working closely on a Congressional strategy, and three high-level interagency teams are being established to handle individual and group briefings for Senators and Congressmen. We plan to begin public affairs and Congressional briefing programs on September 14 after Prime Minister Begin departs, and plans for testimony are being developed. I will testify before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

We plan to bring an AWACS to Andrews AFB on September 21-22 for static tours, briefings, and ground demonstrations (no flights) for Senators, Members of Congress, staffers and press. A second Andrews AWACS deployment is planned for October 14-16.

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We desire to get a Senate Foreign Relations Committee vote on the sale before the Columbus Day recess (October 7-14) and a final Senate floor vote on or about October 20. Our feedback from the Hill is that most members are waiting to hear the Administration's case, although they are under great pressure to oppose the sale. Many are concerned that our case has not yet been put before them, while opposition arguments have already been made. (S)

Legislative Affairs: The Senate began consideration on Thursday of its bill to provide for a targeted (variable by grade) military pay raise averaging 14.3 percent effective October 1. Despite our continued support for the 14.3 percent across-the-board raise contained in the House's version, it appears the Senate is certain to support targeting when they complete consideration on Friday. The House is tentatively scheduled to consider its version of the pay bill next week, September 17.

The House Appropriations Committee will consider a continuing resolution next week for Defense and other federal agencies who will be without an appropriations bill on October 1, 1981. We hope the committee will allow spending at the 1982 budget request level; however, there are indications we may be limited to the 1981 Carter spending level, not including our 1981 supplemental request.

The House-Senate Conference Committee considering our 1982 DoD Authorization Bill met on Thursday, came to no resolution and will meet again next week. Strong Congressional pressure exists to hold-off any further meetings until our defense program is reaffirmed, and in any event we are unlikely to have a bill until we make our announcements on MX and B-1. (U)

Consultations with President Sadat: Following the signing of a Treaty of Cooperation between South Yemen, Ethiopia, and Libya, President Sadat asked for discussions on countering the Treaty. We are developing alternatives for shoring up our friends who are threatened by the Treaty (Egypt, Sudan, Somalia and perhaps North Yemen). Assistant Secretary of Defense Bing West and State Department Counselor Bud McFarlane will head a joint team going to Egypt September 19 for talks with President Sadat. They will build on your strategic dialogue with Sadat during his recent visit and remind him of the measures this Administration has already taken to strengthen our position in the Middle East. We will attempt to foster even greater cooperation with Egypt to ensure stability in the region. (S)

Military Exercises:

REFORGER 81 - REFORGER 81 began August 25th and will continue through October. It is a strategic mobility exercise involving units from the United States, Germany, the United Kingdom, Belgium, France and The Netherlands. The exercise tests our ability to move U.S. Army troops from the United States to the Federal Republic of Germany. (C)

CRESTED CAP 81 - Crested Cap 81 began August 26 and ends September 30. This exercise tests our capability to deploy, employ and return tactical fighter units from the United States to Europe. This year we are sending 48 fighter aircraft from Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina to Ramstein AB, Germany. (C)

Conclusion of the NISSHO MARU Affair: As we promised during Prime Minister Suzuki's visit to the U.S., the Navy's final report on the collision of the ballistic missile submarine GEORGE WASHINGTON and the Japanese merchantman NISSHO MARU has been delivered to the Government of Japan. The report was the culmination of over four months of intensive investigation and review aimed at determining the cause of the mishap. As a result of the report's findings, the U.S. Government accepted full responsibility for the collision and its aftermath.

Ambassador Mike Mansfield presented the report to Japan's Foreign Minister Sonoda on August 31. In order to minimize possible exploitation by opposition parties, the report was delivered while the Diet was recessed. Foreign Minister Sonoda expressed appreciation for the report's detail, frankness, and sincerity. He added that the final report demonstrated the integrity of the U.S. Administration and should enhance relations between our countries. He specifically thanked the U.S. Navy for the quality of the report and the way in which the issue had been handled, a sentiment also echoed by Ambassador Mansfield. Prime Minister Suzuki and Foreign Minister Sonoda agreed that this action constituted the end of the matter as far as the Government of Japan is concerned. (C)

China: Liu Huaqing Visit Cancelled: The U.S. Embassy, Beijing, was notified September 3 that the September 16-28 visit by Deputy Chief of Staff Liu Huaqing to discuss items we are willing to sell China has been "delayed." The Chinese government said that they needed more time to "study more closely U.S. proposals." We believe that the principal reason for this is China's belief that any arms sale to Taiwan is not compatible with closer U.S.-China relations. No alternative time for the visit was suggested by the Chinese. We propose to wait also and let them suggest new dates. Early November appears to be the earliest feasible alternative time for him to come. (C)

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Sale of F-16s to Venezuela: Congressional notification for the impending sale of 24 F-16 aircraft to Venezuela was cleared by State on September 9. Our present intention is to submit the notification to the Congressional Committees in mid-October. The submittal will be a positive sign to Venezuela that the Administration is serious about shared responsibility for Caribbean Basin security. The first aircraft would be delivered in March 1984. (U)

Movement of WETEYE Chemical Munitions: On August 28 the last of the 888 WETEYE bombs and three ton containers were removed from Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Colorado to Tooele Army Depot in Utah. This completed the movement of chemical munitions. No significant problems were encountered, and public reaction was favorable. (U)

Military Manpower Task Force: The Military Manpower Task Force Interagency Working Group met on September 4th. The Group addressed readiness of military units, options for targeting the FY 1982 military pay raise, and alternatives for improving the quality of Army recruits. I will keep you advised on their progress. (U)

TRIDENT Missile: On August 27 the ballistic missile submarine SIMON BOLIVAR conducted an operational test of four TRIDENT I missiles. Two missiles carried four reentry vehicles and two carried five, for a total of 18, all of which landed in the target area. The trajectories covered approximately 4000NM from a point in the North Atlantic into the target area in the South Atlantic. An aircraft transmitted the initial launch order, which was then retransmitted by submarine broadcast. This was the final TRIDENT missile operational test launching for this year. Of the 34 TRIDENT I missiles that have been launched from submerged submarines, 32 have been successful for a success ratio of 94 percent. (S-RD)

Lieutenant Cooke Case: Following two unsuccessful attempts by the defense to have the Court of Military Appeals dismiss the case because of immunity purportedly granted to Lieutenant Cooke, the trial began at Andrews AFB on September 8. The defense has again moved to dismiss the charges based on the contention that Lieutenant Cooke had been promised immunity in return for his full cooperation, and evidence is now being introduced on this issue by both sides.

It is expected that several more days of evidence from the defense and, in turn, the Government will be involved in litigating this

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issue. The military judge will then rule on the defense motion to dismiss. If all charges are dismissed by the military judge, the trial is over. If all charges are not dismissed, it is likely the defense will again seek to have the immunity issue decided by the Court of Military Appeals before the trial proceeds on the charges themselves. (U)

Impact Aid: The Fairfax County School Board has sent letters to parents in the military living at Ft Belvoir, informing them that their children can attend Fairfax County schools only on a tuition payment basis, unless they are legal residents of Virginia, or unless federal impact aid received for these children equals at least fifty percent of the total cost of educating them. Payments would not be required until Congressional actions have been completed. Tuition charges range from \$1,300 for a kindergarten student to \$19,500 for a deaf and blind high school student. We have met with the Justice Department to discuss legal action against Fairfax County and the state of Virginia to reverse their decision to impose tuition charges. We understand the Department of Justice will seek an injunction to block this unjustified tuition charge levied against military families only. (U)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Dick*
SUBJECT: Secretary Weinberger's Weekly Report

Attached is Secretary Weinberger's Weekly Report for the week ending September 18, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Weekly Report on Defense Activities

How We Plan to Reduce Our Fiscal Year 1982 Outlays by \$2 Billion:

The Army will make reductions in air defense missile systems, including termination of the ROLAND program; other reductions in tank and fighting vehicle procurements and long-range artillery systems; and sharp reductions in previously planned military construction in this country. In addition, the Army will reduce the 7th Infantry Division to Cadre status in the near-term and then reinstate it to fully active status by fiscal year 1986; and, over a two year period, replace a brigade in Europe.

The Navy will reduce its shipbuilding program by eliminating a submarine, and a frigate, cancelling the reactivation of the carrier ORISKANY and planning to convert and charter maritime prepositioning ships rather than building new ones. The Navy will also decommission, earlier than previously planned, several other ships. In addition, the Navy will reduce fleet steaming hours and aircraft flying hours slightly as well as making minor reductions in several research and development efforts.

The Air Force will reduce several aircraft procurements, including termination of the KC-10 refueling tanker aircraft; and will retire some of their older B-52s earlier than previously planned. In addition the Air Force will reduce several research and development programs, including cancellation of some new munitions developments, and will slow its planned manpower increases. (S)

Upcoming Congressional Hearings: Congress will examine our defense budget closely next week. Three separate Congressional committees have asked me to testify about our 1982 program. On Tuesday, I will appear before the Senate Budget Committee and on Wednesday, before the House Budget Committee. On Thursday, the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee will conduct its final budget review prior to the critical mark-up of our 1982 budget. Subcommittee Chairman Joe Addabbo has already made public his intention to try to cut \$7 to \$9 billion from our FY 1982 request instead of the \$2 billion reduction we have agreed to.

In addition to budget matters, on Monday I have been asked to appear before the Senate Armed Services Committee for the first official hearing on our planned sale of AWACS and other equipment to Saudi Arabia. The hearing, before John Tower's group, is expected to be a friendly one. (U)

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Military Pay Bill: On Tuesday the House gave strong approval of our requested military pay raise by a vote of 396 to 1. In doing so, the House adopted our preference for a 14.3 across-the-board pay increase and rejected the targeting plan which was adopted by the Senate. While a conference committee must now resolve differences between the two bills, both Houses of Congress have strongly affirmed our goal of providing adequate compensation for our military people. (U)

Lieutenant Cooke Spy Case: We have just completed the eighth day of pretrial proceedings. On Thursday, the last defense witness was called in support of the motion to dismiss based on the alleged grant of immunity. The Government has called four witnesses in opposition to the motion and anticipates calling three more witnesses, including the recently retired Commander-in-Chief of the Strategic Air Command, General Dick Ellis. The defense may submit rebuttal evidence after the Government completes its presentation. It is likely that this portion of the case will conclude this week and that the military judge will rule on the immunity issue shortly thereafter. Last Monday, the military judge denied a defense motion for the accused's release from pretrial confinement. (U)

TRIDENT Submarine Contract: The Navy and Electric Boat have agreed to adjust the delivery dates for all TRIDENT submarines and resolve a number of outstanding issues under the contracts. Electric Boat has now agreed not to submit the claims to reimburse them for their own negligence which they had previously threatened. Also, they will withdraw their appeals of two contracting officers' decisions. (U)

Update on AWACS Sale to Saudi Arabia: The three high-level inter-agency teams have begun calling on Senators to present our case for the AWACS sale. Initial reaction indicates that most Congressional concerns center upon one or more of three major issues: the risk of AWACS technology falling into Soviet hands, the threat to Israeli security, and "the lack of Saudi assistance in the peace process." Follow-up visits are being scheduled to address individual Senators' concerns. We will bring an AWACS plane into Andrews AFB on Sunday, September 20, for three days (September 21-23) of static tours, briefings, and ground demonstrations for Senators, Congressmen, staffers, and the press. Senator Tower will visit the AWACS unit wing in Oklahoma this weekend and will return to Washington on board the AWACS aircraft when it arrives at Andrews on September 20. (S)

Security Measures for Senior Military Officers: As a result of the assassination attempt against General Frederick Kroesen, our

Army Commander in Europe, we are authorizing our senior officers to use government vehicles for transportation to and from work in areas of potential terrorist activity. I have asked the Joint Staff and the CINCs to examine other precautions that might enhance the security of senior military leaders, and our bases in Europe. (C)

Frank Carlucci Trip to Asia: Frank is leaving this Saturday for a two-week trip to the Philippines, Thailand, Japan, and Korea. The primary purpose of the trip is to visit deployed U.S. Forces in the Pacific. In Japan, Frank will continue the dialogue on defense you began in your meeting with Prime Minister Suzuki, and continued by Al Haig and me in conversations with our Japanese counterparts. In Korea Frank will represent me as the guest of Minister of Defense Choo at a major Korean Armed Forces Day Program. (U)

Visit of Zairian Military Delegation: This past week, September 15-20, Frank Carlucci hosted successful discussions with a Zairian Military Delegation headed by Zaire's Secretary of State for National Defense. The Zairians described their geo-political situation as one of gradual encirclement by Marxist States armed by Eastern bloc countries. If our Zairian military assistance effort continues only at recent levels (\$6-10M per year), the program will be totally absorbed by maintenance costs. Our interests in this geographically strategic and mineral-rich country of Zaire require a stronger effort to win Congressional support for an annual program in the \$25M to \$35M range. (C)

Inspector General Bill: For several years the Defense Department has opposed creation of a statutory Inspector General, independent of the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense. The existence of such an independent agent is completely inconsistent with the disciplinary structure of the Department of Defense and its obligation to respond to you as the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Services.

As you know, I have established an Assistant for Review and Oversight who performs all the functions that an Inspector General would perform. Notwithstanding, the House passed a bill creating an independent statutory Inspector General for Defense. My concern is that the Senate will adopt the House bill without making at least the minimal changes I consider essential. Therefore we have promised Senator Roth, Chairman of the Government Operations Committee, that we would provide a draft bill that we could accept. Such a bill is now awaiting clearance from OMB which should be forthcoming when they resolve an unrelated problem involving the Justice Department Inspector General. I will keep you advised of developments on this issue. (U)

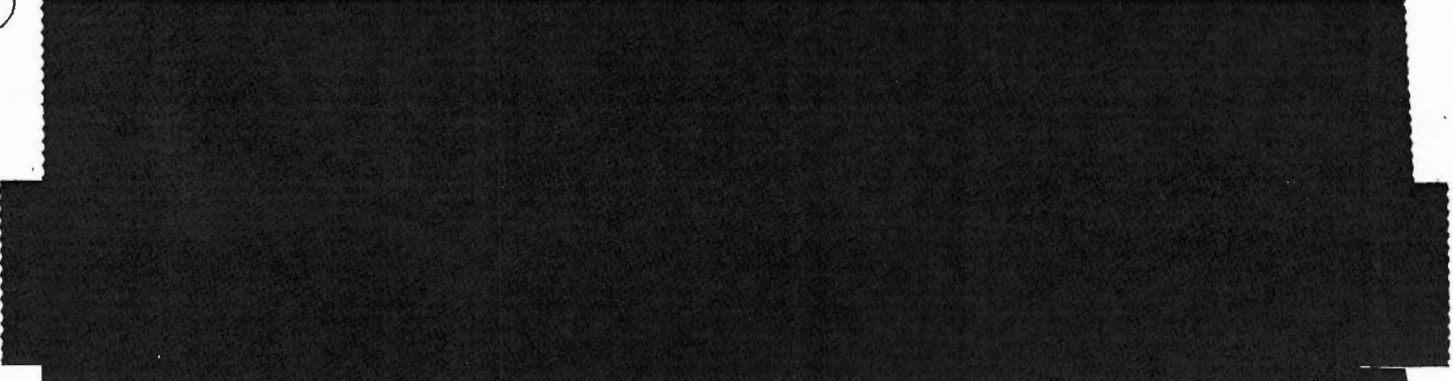
Military Manpower Task Force: The Military Manpower Task Force held its second meeting on September 14th in the Executive Office Building. We reviewed military readiness, targeting of the FY 1982 military pay raise, and compensation alternatives to improve the quality of Army recruits. The meeting was extremely productive, and I am pleased with our progress thus far.

The Task Force will meet again in late October or early November to consider registration, reserve force manning and other selected military manpower issues. (U)

Military Exercises:

POTENT PUNCH. Exercise POTENT PUNCH is a JCS-sponsored, crisis management exercise which has been integrated with an exercise in the Republic of Korea. This is the first JCS-sponsored exercise with ROK participation. It will take place during most of September. (C)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN *Allen*

SUBJECT:

Secretary Weinberger's Weekly Report

Attached is Secretary Weinberger's Weekly Report on Defense activities dated September 25, 1981.

cc: The Vice President

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October 6, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Sub*
SUBJECT: Secretary Weinberger's Weekly Report

Attached is Secretary Weinberger's Weekly Report for week ending October 2, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Weekly Report on Defense Activities

Senate Armed Services Committee Hearing on AWACS: I began public presentation of the Administration's air defense enhancement package for Saudi Arabia on Monday with a day long appearance before the Senate Armed Services Committee. The Chairman, John Tower, an effective and outspoken supporter of the Saudi sale, was very helpful in directing the session which was marked by statements ranging from strong support by some Republican members to expressions of deep concern over control of the AWACS and possible loss of technology to the Soviets. Nearly every member expressed appreciation of the Saudi need for an AWACS-type system for protection of the oil fields and defense against Soviet invasion; unfortunately, no minds appeared changed by this session.

The Saudi arms package was again the subject of discussion on Thursday morning in a closed session before the Senate Armed Services Committee. This meeting, which I had requested of John Tower, may have resulted in some changes of position by committee members. Nevertheless, we were again challenged to present a new joint command proposal in order to satisfy the concerns of those Senators who showed little movement in position as a result of this special session.

On Thursday afternoon I followed Al Haig in testifying before a skeptical Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The members sharply questioned various aspects of the sale -- sometimes in areas which have absolutely no bearing. The reception was very mixed and most members clearly had little desire to discuss the facts of the case. (U)

Deputy Secretary Carlucci's Trip to the Pacific: Frank Carlucci wound up a two week trip to the East Asia/Pacific Region on Friday. He was briefed at CINCPAC and then travelled to the Philippines, Thailand, Japan and Korea. All reports indicate his meetings with senior government and defense representatives have been extremely successful, particularly in explaining to

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our Pacific allies our defense budget decisions and the recently published booklet, "Soviet Military Power." Thailand has been most enthusiastic about his trip and Frank's meeting with Prime Minister Prem will assist us in our meetings here with him next week. President Marcos was reassuring about our continued use of Philippine bases. Frank's trip culminated with a most spectacular military show in Korea for their Armed Forces Day. The Korean spirits were particularly high with the announcement of their selection as the site for the Summer Olympics in 1988. (C)

Visit of Chairman Sasaki: I met with Japanese Democratic Socialist Party Chairman Ryosaku Sasaki last Tuesday. Sasaki, leader of one of the opposition parties, agreed Japan should play a substantial role in the free world's defense efforts. The main point Sasaki made during our meeting was that, while he was aware the U.S. looks to its allies to improve their defense capabilities, the U.S. should not ignore the need to create a dialogue with the USSR. He noted that U.S. efforts in this regard are vitally important so allied governments can influence public opinion. Sasaki came back to this point again later and wanted to know under what conditions a summit meeting might be possible. I told him we had no plans for an immediate summit, but are starting the TNF talks November 30.

I provided him a copy of our just-issued booklet "Soviet Military Power," so he would have evidence of why we are so concerned. (C)

ROLAND/Rapier Budget Decisions-European Reactions: The UK, France, and Germany were predictably disappointed when notified of the adverse effect of recent budget decisions on these key cooperative programs. Reacting to the ROLAND termination, both France and Germany questioned our commitment to the two-way street in defense procurement since ROLAND has been the most visible example of U.S. willingness to adopt a European-developed system. The reaction of the current Norwegian government to ROLAND termination may be one of relief because of the system's cost. This, however, may not accurately characterize the reaction of the new government which will assume office in two weeks. The problem with ROLAND was that, given the need to reduce our outlay, it was an appropriate choice for the ax with its very large cost overrun.

The British pointed out that slippage in the Rapier program, coupled with the stretched-out buy of the AV-8B HARRIER, will have a severe near-term effect on British Aerospace. Also, Ministry of Defence Deputy Under Secretary Hastie-Smith acknowledged awareness of the ROLAND cut as well and stressed that U.S. cutbacks in cooperative programs would make it harder to convince the Europeans of the Soviet threat and would also send the wrong signal to the Soviets themselves.

However, the British were considerably mollified later when they learned that Rapier and HARRIER were stretch-outs and not cancellations. They were delighted, as reported earlier, with the D-5 decision. (S)

The Soviet Military Power Document: As you know, I held a press conference on Tuesday morning to announce the publication of our new unclassified report on the Soviet military threat. The public release went smoothly with a very well attended press conference in the Pentagon which was beamed live to the foreign press center here in Washington and via satellite to Brussels. We were working closely with Charlie Wicks, ICA, and they seemed pleased with the results, too.

Predictably, there were some detractors, but press coverage has been quite heavy and generally favorable, both here and in Europe, and our Ambassador to NATO was enormously enthusiastic about the book and its reception. He strongly suggests we have it translated into several languages.

The document itself has proven to be a best seller: the Government Printing Office provided DoD with 21,000 copies all of which have been distributed here and abroad. Demand has already far outstripped supply. The GPO put the book on sale Wednesday and had extremely heavy sales and inquiries on bulk purchases that will exceed 50,000 copies. In fact, demand is so great that GPO has begun a second printing and feels certain it will recoup all publication costs; the document may even turn a profit for the Government! Most importantly, of course, its popularity and availability will achieve our avowed purpose: to inform free people of the free nations of the real challenge they face. (U)

Proposed LTV/Grumman Merger: We have been advised that LTV has made a tender offer for Grumman Corporation stock. Since both firms are defense contractors, we have been asked by the press for our reaction to the proposed merger.

We have told the press the Department of Defense will not comment on the proposed merger at this time because our initial look indicates that we would not have cause to oppose the merger. DoD studies of aircraft industry capacity in 1977 and 1979 indicated there was adequate capacity to meet military needs and a sufficient number of firms in various aircraft categories to provide competition. The concern, both then and now, focuses on the subsystem and supplier levels where lack of sources for critical components and materials could be detrimental to mobilization or surge response. (U)

Military Pay Raise: Pending enactment of the military pay raise legislation, which remains in Conference Committee, you are authorized to increase the rates of basic pay, basic allowance for quarters, and basic allowance for subsistence for military personnel by only 4.8 percent. These rates will be retroactive to October 1, 1981 once the Executive Order is signed. We are still optimistic the Conference Committee will develop a pay raise package similar to the one we recommended of about 14.3 percent and that it will be enacted in time to show up in the October paychecks. (U)

Continuing Resolution: The Department of Defense will be able to operate without any undue hardship under the Continuing Resolution passed by Congress. Although the amount provided as temporary appropriation is only equal to fiscal year 1981 levels, this will not cause any significant problems so long as Congress enacts the Department of Defense Appropriation Act by the end of this calendar year. Additionally, although the Continuing Resolution itself does not present any major problems during this period, it is important that OMB and Treasury release the funds to the Department in the amounts required to operate effectively. They have generally done so in the past, but not without some infighting. (U)

Soviet Nuclear Test: The U.S. Atomic Energy Detection System recorded the occurrence of an underground nuclear explosion at the Shagan River Test Area, Semipalatinsk Test Site on September 13, 1981. The yield of the explosion is estimated in the range of 90 to 370Kt with a central value of 185Kt. This was the eighth underground nuclear test detected in the USSR during CY 1981, and is the first in CY 1981 with a central value above the 150Kt limit of the Threshold Test Ban. (S-NF)

Military Exercises: The first major U.S.-Jordanian combined exercise was conducted in Jordan, September 19-26. The exercise was highly successful in achieving interoperable command and control communications, air defense integration, crisis resupply airlift, and air mobility training for Jordanian Special Forces. King Hussein visited major exercise activities, attended the post exercise critique and strongly endorsed future combined exercises in support of the politico-military situation in the Middle East and U.S.-Jordanian cooperation in future crises. (S)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *RVA*

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cc: The Vice President
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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 10, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Weekly Report on Defense Activities

Legislative Issues:

Strategic Programs: I spent considerable time this week on Capitol Hill testifying before three of our jurisdictional committees on the Administration's strategic package which was announced last week. Early reaction to the plan sounded mixed, although most of the negatives were directed at the MX basing plan. Both Armed Services Committee Chairmen, John Tower and Mel Price, sharply questioned rejection of the racetrack shelter plan, and remain skeptical of the hardened silo basing plan. In light of this initial reaction, we anticipate a difficult time before receiving Congressional endorsement of this part of our strategic program. A full-scale education program to dispel doubts is now underway. Key members of the Senate Armed Services Committee were among those who endorsed our plan in the public hearings this week, including Senators Thurmond, Goldwater, Humphrey and Byrd (VA). This issue will receive a great deal of our attention in the coming weeks. The rest of the strategic program seems to be well received. General Jones, who still favors the racetrack system for MX, strongly endorsed the balance of the program.

Military Pay Bill: The long-awaited Administration-requested military pay increase cleared House-Senate Conference Committee this week and on Wednesday was overwhelmingly approved by the Congress. It is now before you for signature and you may want to have a special signing ceremony, with perhaps a symbolic soldier, marine, etc., present. The final proposal, which is effective October 1, provides for targeting the pay raises at levels very similar to those we suggested. Pay will be raised for enlisted personnel 10 to 17 percent and 14.3 percent for all officers. Much credit for this bill goes to Representative Bill Nichols and Senator Roger Jepsen. Nichols in particular strongly supported the Administration's original across-the-board request. We have a good bill. It addresses the problems of recruiting and retention and will clearly demonstrate the Administration's commitment to support our soldiers with a decent wage for their service to our nation.

Incidentally, our latest recruitment and retention figures are both very good. With only one months new figures to come in for the fiscal year 1981 totals, we are recruiting 99% of our allowed totals, high school diploma graduates are up to 80%, and both first term and career re-enlistments show big jumps. The pay bill should encourage those trends.

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AWACS: We are continuing to push hard for Senate support of the AWACS package. All senior Defense Department officials are engaged in making personal contacts with key Senators to emphasize the critical importance of the Saudi sale. There is growing bipartisan support for the Warner-Nunn resolution which provides a favorable middle ground position for those Senators who are dropping off the Packwood disapproval resolution.

ELF Communication System: On Thursday we made formal Congressional notification of your decision to proceed with the ELF Communication System. The jurisdictional committees support this initiative, but representatives from the affected areas registered expected concern. (U)

Emergency Military Assistance Package for Sudan: In light of the increased dangers posed by the assassination of President Sadat, we are planning how to expedite the provision of military assistance to Sudan. Sudan is probably, after Egypt itself, the state most threatened by Qadhafi. Several Libyan aircraft have already been shot down in Sudan following attacks on Sudanese villages along the Chad border. We plan to offer early delivery of a package of ground and air defense equipment (most, including tanks, within two months), and will also ask the Egyptians to deliver air defense weapons which can be used in the western border area. I discussed this with Defense Minister Abou Ghazala at President Sadat's funeral and he seemed agreeable. To finance this package, we will need to move immediately to make available the full \$100 million program for Sudan from the FY 82 security assistance program under "continuing resolution authority." (S)

Theater Nuclear Force Talks: Our interagency work to develop a U.S. position is progressing well. We have reached general agreement in NATO meetings as to the types of weapons most needed by us, and hence those weapons for which we should not agree to unnecessarily lower levels. We are planning for an early NSC discussion of the issues to develop the broad scope of our negotiating position prior to initial talks with our Allies, followed by a decision meeting in November prior to the start of the actual negotiations in Geneva on November 30. We will be discussing the issues with our NATO Allies during the Nuclear Planning Group Ministerial in mid-October, which I will attend, and at a meeting of the NATO Special Consultative Group later this month. (C)

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Status of Assistance to El Salvador: Because of a small FY 1981 budget and the heavy military activity in August and September, we have already shipped El Salvador over \$9 million of security assistance material (ammunition and small arms) out of a total FY 1982 budget of \$25 million. Even though the FY 1982 budget contains \$25 million for El Salvador, we are currently limited to the FY 1981 level of \$10 million by the Continuing Resolution Congress recently enacted. What this means is that we must reprogram funds within the Continuing Resolution now and then quickly ask for a supplemental appropriation if we are to continue any support to El Salvador. We are prepared to do this. (C)

Rapid Deployment Joint Task Force (RDJTF): On October 1st, the RDJTF became a separate Joint Task Force reporting through the Joint Chiefs of Staff rather than through U.S. Readiness Command and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The U.S. Readiness Command will continue to provide support to the RDJTF while it is located at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. The RDJTF will be designated a unified command not later than January 1, 1983. We believe these arrangements will streamline reporting and make the RDJTF more responsive to the National Command Authority. (C)

Visit of Canadian Minister Herb Gray: Herb Gray, Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, visited me on October 5. He had requested the meeting both to strengthen further U.S.-Canadian armaments cooperation and to improve the readiness of the North American defense establishment. Gray stressed Canadian interest in assuring their access to U.S. classified technology, serving as a second source for defense production, and having the U.S. purchase Canadian defense systems, such as the Buffalo aircraft. I agreed that continuation of our defense cooperation was of great importance. I also reassured him of our desire to support the existing armaments cooperation arrangements, but cautioned him that other Canadian restrictive trade policies in the non-defense area might be used as a reason for restricting arms cooperation. I told Gray my view was that non-defense trade issues should not be allowed to override the principle of reciprocity, and urged him therefore to pursue vigorously resolution of our investment and energy differences. (S)

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Frank Carlucci's Trip to East Asia: Frank Carlucci returned Friday, October 2 from a very successful trip to several East and Southeast Asian nations. As I mentioned last week, he met with the heads of government in the Philippines, Thailand, and Korea. In Japan, he continued the dialogue on defense spending and technology transfer begun by you in your meeting with Prime Minister Suzuki. He had the opportunity to share defense views with Admiral Long, the Commander-in-Chief, Pacific, and to visit U.S. Forces in Okinawa and Korea as well as the 7th Fleet ships in the Philippines and Japan. Frank was impressed with the morale and professionalism of our deployed soldiers, sailors and airmen. All accounts of his visits were highly favorable, Ambassador Mansfield being particularly pleased with the results of Frank's visit to Japan. (U)

NPG Itinerary: I will be attending the NATO Nuclear Planning Group (the NATO defense ministers) in Scotland October 20-21, and will be stopping in Paris and Stockholm enroute. In Paris I will meet with Defense Minister Hernu and will discuss technology transfer and the Alliance's goals for long range theater nuclear forces. I will also call on President Mitterrand and Foreign Minister Cheysson.

The Swedish Government was particularly anxious to have the U.S. Secretary of Defense visit there, none having ever visited before. While there I will meet with the Defense Minister, the Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, the Under Secretary for Defense, and will call on the Foreign Minister and Prime Minister. Sweden will seek U.S. cooperation on technology transfers such as the development of an advanced fighter for the Swedish Air Force. Our willingness to transfer advanced technologies will depend on the degree of Swedish Government cooperation in controlling sensitive dual-use technology.

After the NPG I will stop in London to make a presentation to the Royal Institute of International Affairs, and to meet with Defense Committees of the Parliament. (C)

Prime Minister of Thailand's Visit: On Tuesday, Frank Carlucci and I met with Prime Minister Prem, after the very pleasant White House lunch you gave for him, to discuss U.S./Thai defense relations and our security assistance programs. In response to his request, I told the Prime Minister we would be able to make available twenty REDEYE weapons and associated training systems to enhance Thai air defense capabilities. Prem discussed the Thai need for tanks and their present and future aircraft requirements. The meeting was friendly; however, no decisions were reached on the two final matters. (S)

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The U.S. Conference of Mayors: We have been participating with and supporting the efforts of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. The Conference recently put together a task force on Cities and the National Defense to start a dialogue between the Conference and DoD. In particular, the task force will focus on the Defense industrial base, the labor force, the general direction of defense spending as it relates to the cities, and problems the cities face as a result of defense spending.

On Friday, Mayor Richard Caliguiri, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, sponsored a conference which brought together top Defense Department officials and large and small business leaders of the Pittsburgh area. Discussions and presentations centered on Defense industrial preparedness issues and specifically pinpointed the hows and whys of doing business with the Defense Department.

I believe our participation with the Conference of Mayors will enhance civil-military relations and gain much needed support for our defense program. (U)

President Sadat's Funeral: While in Cairo for President Sadat's funeral the delegation called on Vice President Mubarak, Mrs. Sadat, and the Speaker of the Assembly, and I had a separate meeting with General Ghazala, the Defense Minister. They all appear very anxious to keep their relationship with the U.S. intact and are very friendly. They seemed most appreciative of the delegation's visits.

There appear to be no problems with the succession and transition. Mrs. Sadat is an extraordinarily strong and vibrant personality and was bearing up extremely well. She greeted all the major visitors in the same grandstand where her husband was killed. She stood with her family for two hours, meeting all the delegations.

I talked briefly with several NATO and other Defense and Foreign Ministers. Chancellor Schmidt again chided us for high interest rates. I asked him for his remedy. "Your deficit is too big." I told him we had reduced that and were pressing to increase the money supply and that interest and inflation had both come down in recent weeks. (S)

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