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WASHINGTON

May 16, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR NANCY RISQUE

FROM:

WILLIAM MARONI

SUBJECT:

NSC and State Department Preparations for Moscow

Summit

At the direction of Secretary Baker, I have stayed abreast of any economic and trade matters that may be a part of the upcoming Moscow Summit meeting in June. Ambassador Negroponte and Steve Danzansky of the NSC have kept me informed.

Attached for your information are two documents that I have forwarded to Secretary Baker:

1) A list of possible bilateral agreements between the U.S. and USSR that could be signed at the Moscow Summit;

The list is divided in four parts; "A. Topics Already Completed," "B. Topics That Could Be Competed By Summit," "C. Problem Topics," and "D. Topics With No Prospect of Summit Related Activity."

There is an effort underway by State and NSC to have as many agreements signed-off on as possible before the Summit.

I have identified one possible conflict with current Administration policy. Item number 9 on page 2 proposes that the U.S. and USSR have reached agreement to expand space cooperation including "...flight opportunities for scientific instruments on each other's spacecraft..." This is contrary to current U.S. space policy and I have so informed the NSC.

2) Draft language on U.S.-USSR trade relations that may be suggested for inclusion in a Moscow Summit statement.

The draft language parallels the Joint Statement of U.S.-USSR commercial relations that was signed by Secretary Verity and his Soviet counterpart, Deputy Minister Kachanov (attached). The statement references the Joint Commercial Commission and the conclusion of the Commercial Comprehensive Fisheries Agreement, which is also listed in the first document as item number 13 under the heading of "Topics That Could Be Completed By the Summit."

It is my understanding that last week the Soviets did <u>not</u> raise trade or economic issues with NSC Director Powell or Secretary Shultz. Therefore, there is reason to believe that draft language as proposed by the United States may be acceptable for the Summit statement.

I will continue to review Summit preparations, as well as any changes in the attached documents and keep you informed. At the moment there is no need for Economic Policy Council involvement because no new policies are under consideration.

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JOINT STATEMENT on the further development of U.S.-U.S.S.R. commercial relations

U.S. Secretary of Commerce C. William Verity and U.S.S.R. First Deputy Minister of Foreign Economic Relations A. I. Kachanov, at the conclusion of the Tenth Session of the Joint U.S.-U.S.S.R. Commercial Commission held in Moscow April 12-14, 1988, at the instruction of President of the United States Ronald Reagan and General Secretary of the CPSU Central Committee M. S. Gorbachev to develop concrete proposals for the expansion of U.S.-Soviet trade, issued the following Joint Statement.

The Governments of the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics strongly support expansion of mutually beneficial commercial relations, within the legal framework existing in both countries, which they believe can contribute to the development of a more constructive relationship between the two countries.

They recognize that the prospects for a substantial expansion of trade relations are related to progress on other issues of mutual interest, including humanitarian affairs. They note that while significant accomplishments have been made in this respect, more remains to be done.

They recognize that improved business facilities and additional commercial information on business opportunities and contacts will be needed by their firms, enterprises, business and other organizations to conclude mutually beneficial contracts in the changing environment.

They agree that commercially viable joint ventures complying with the laws and regulations of both countries could play a role in the further development of commercial relations.

During the Tenth Session of the Joint Commercial Commission, the two sides took the following practical steps to facilitate the expansion of bilateral trade and commercial relations:

-- Concluded a Protocol to the Long Term Agreement
Between the United States of America and the Union of
Soviet Socialist Republics To Facilitate Economic,
Industrial, and Technical Cooperation, of June 29,
1974, in which they agreed that the forms of
cooperation covered by the terms of the Long-Term
Agreement shall include commercially viable joint
ventures and industrial cooperation based on mutually
beneficial contracts betweem firms, enterprises, and
other appropriate organizations of the two countries.

Under the Protocol the Joint US-USSR Commercial Commission will monitor the practical implementation of the Protocol and develop concrete proposals to achieve the cooperation foreseen therein, and the Working Group of Experts will exchange information that will assist the Commission in developing solutions to specific practical issues relating to its implementation and conduct preparatory work for meetings of the Commission.

- -- Established Joint Commission working groups to identify opportunities and eliminate obstacles to the development of business in the fields of oil and gas equipment, construction equipment, medical equipment and supplies for the medical industry, and consumer industry.
- -- Agreed to hold a series of legal seminars to improve understanding of the legal conditions affecting U.S.-Soviet commerce and investment.
- -- Undertook to make information on business opportunities and contacts readily available so as to facilitate the prompt identification and contact of potential business partners.
- -- Committed themselves to accelerate efforts to improve business facilities for company offices and representatives.
- -- Encouraged representatives and experts of their respective firms, enterprises, and organizations to make use of the official commercial offices of the other side.
- -- Agreed to expand a program of trade missions, rendering appropriate mutual assistance in their planning and execution.

Both sides affirm their intention to inform their respective firms, enterprises, and organizations of the contents and recommendations of the Joint Statement and to work toward their full implementation.

April 14, 1988

PROTOCOL

to the Long-Term Agreement
between the
United States of America and
the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
To Facilitate Economic, Industrial and Technical Cooperation
of June 29, 1974

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, taking note of the new forms of cooperation which have become possible since the Long-Term Agreement between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics To Pacilitate Economic, Industrial and Technical Cooperation was concluded on June 29, 1974, and guided by the Joint Summit Statement issued at the conclusion of the Washington summit meeting on December 10, 1987, have agreed that:

- (1) In addition to the forms of cooperation specified in Article II of the Agreement, cooperation covered by the terms of the Long-Term Agreement shall include commercially viable joint ventures and industrial cooperation based on mutually beneficial contracts between firms, enterprises, and other appropriate organizations of the two countries in keeping with established practices and applicable laws and regulations in the respective countries.
- (2) The Joint US-USSR Commercial Commission will monitor the practical implementation of this Protocol and the Long-Term Agreement and develop concrete proposals to achieve the cooperation foreseen therein. The Working Group of Experts will exchange information that will assist the Commission in developing solutions to specific practical issues relating to the implementation of this Protocol and the Long-Term Agreement and will conduct preparatory work for meetings of the Commission.

This Protocol is an integral part of the Long-Term Agreement and enters into force on the date of its signature.

Done at Moscow on April 14, 1988, in duplicate, in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS:

C. William Verity
Secretary of Commerce

Alexander I. Kachanov First Deputy Minister of Foreign Economic

Relations