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## THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Date: February 3, 1988

TO: PATTI ARONSSON

FROM: ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR. Counsel to the President

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COMMENT:

ACTION:

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 2, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

FROM:

PATRICIA S. ARONSSON

SUBJECT:

INQUIRY FROM NBC NEWS

John Saxon called this afternoon to tell me he had received an inquiry from NBC News about whether we had re-declassified portions of Poindexter's deposition. After talking with Dean, I told John we had and sent him the three pages (attached).

We had done this in response to a request from the Vice President's office.

Attachment As stated.

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U.S. simply deny it and for awhile, that was a working hypothesis, but frankly --

- Q Wasn't very plausible?
- A Wasn't very plausible.
- Q All right.

seriously. There was concern on the part of some members within the administration that -- I guess the Vice President would probably fall in this category -- that one of his concerns, although he was supportive of the, of what the President wanted to do and he thought we ought to go ahead with it he was a little concerned about the leverage that it gave the Israelis over the United States

Now, the one -- so far in the meeting with Nir there wasn't anything particularly new that hadn't been covered earlier by the Israelis. But the Israelis had gotten word, I think at this point, of -- well, they had been in the London meetings with Mr. McFarlane; and they knew that meeting had not gone very well. They knew I had just taken over. They obviously wanted to push ahead with it, I am sure for their own selfish reasons; but I think there was also a genuine desire on the part of Peres to help the President. He knew the President was concerned about hostages and --

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Would you mark as the next exhibit a memorandum dated December 4, 1984, with a routing slip which shows your name on it.

> (Poindexter Exhibit No. 23 was marked for identification.)

BY MR. LIMAN:

When you spoke of assistance from this what you were referring to?

That's correct.

You weren't referring to anyone asking give its money to the contras, were you?

I don't honestly know what General Singlaub said to I was never under the impression that they were willing to provide funds. I recognize there was a possibility of their selling arms.

While we are on that subject, then, let me just go over country by country what you understood their contribution, if anything, was to the contras during this period when you were wrestling with Boland.

#### Israel?

Israel was considered several times and from the beginning, when Mr. McFarlane was still there, but It was the same sort we were frankly a little reluctant. of reasoning that the Vice President was concerned in more leverage from the chat we frankly didn't

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Do you knowhether you ever sent Teicher there to hit them up?

I don't think I am aware of that. Mr. McFarlane may have. He was -- he also was, Mr. McFarlane, you know, was initially very concerned about leaks and that's -- he thing, although he did tell me about handled that at some point afterwards.

He told you about the \$25 million contribution am I correct?

Right.

He did not tell you in the summer of 1984 that were giving a million dollars a month or 7 million for the balance of '84?

Well, the 25 million -- my best recollection was being delivered over a period of time. It wasn't just one lump sum.

Do you associate the \$25 million with

Since November of '86, I have not associated it. It may have --

You talked You talked about about Israel.

I want to come back to Israel. That's related I thought that's

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