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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 23, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

FROM:

WILLIAM B. LYTTON III

SUBJECT:

APRIL 1986 DIVERSION MEMO

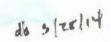
A review of our computer system indicates that there are three draft versions of the April 1986 diversion memo, each distinguished only by a simple difference, i.e., the date indicated that the Israeli Government transferred the 508 basic TOWs to Iran.

The original version indicates that the transfer occurred on September 14, 1985 ("Original version"). An edited version bears a pencilled correction by Poindexter lining out the number "14" and substituting "13" ("Edited version"). The third version, incorporating this revision, was printed from Fawn Hall's computer diskette ("Revised version").

One copy of the original version is in our files (Attachment A). North apparently removed this document, and others, from his files between November 21 and 25, 1986. On April 12, 1987, these documents were returned to the White House, via the Independent Counsel, by North's law firm, Williams and Connolly.

We have five copies of the edited version that bears Poindexter's pencilled change. One, retrieved from Poindexter's file, contains a handwritten note from Poindexter to his secretary instructing her to "keep this together for me" and the underlined word "Iran" (Attachment B). Two copies were found in North's files (Attachment C), and a third, bearing a Special Review Board number, probably came from North's office (Attachment D). The fifth copy is of unknown origin, but based on notations on the tracking sheet, may have been a copy seized by Justice Department lawyers from North's files (Attachment E).

THIS MEMORANDUM IS UNCLASSIFIED UPON REMOVAL OF ATTACHMENTS



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¹ Testimony of Fawn Hall before the Joint Hearings on the Iran-Contra Investigation, June 8, 1987, 84-86.



Although an April 7, 1986, PROF note from North to McFarlane mentions that, at Poindexter's request, North "had prepared a paper for our boss which lays out the [Iran initiative] arrangements," there is no evidence that the diversion memo ever existed as a final document that Poindexter acted upon and forwarded to the President. In fact, our computer filing system has no hard copy of the revised version except for a copy that was retrieved from Fawn Hall's diskette and provided to this office by the Independent Counsel on April 6, 1987 (Attachment F). (We subsequently provided the document to the Joint Committee on April 24).

A June 14 Washington Post article reports that altered versions of the memo exist that delete all references to the diversion of arms sales profits to the Contras. It is possible, given the limitations of our computer filing system, that our files contain copies of the diversion memo (including altered versions) that cannot be located absent a manual search of all our documents. Nonetheless, we are confident, based upon an extensive computer search by "subject codes," that we have located all copies, none of which is altered, that we have on file. Our confidence is buttressed by Mark Belnick's statement to me that he is unaware of any altered diversion memo.

Attachments: As stated



²This document is filed in our computer system under Bates number 3891.

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