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April 15, 1986

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM: JACK F. MATLOCK *JFM*

SUBJECT: Memorandum for the President

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum to the President forwarding a memorandum from Secretary Shultz on the Soviet reaction to our actions in Libya. In addition to saying that the Shevardnadze visit is "not possible at this time," the Soviets suggested to Art Hartman that they may undertake further unspecified measures.

I agree with State's assessment that the Soviet decision is a low cost means of responding to the situation and suggests that the Soviets are not seriously attracted to the idea of a July summit, but are aiming for the end of the year.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I, unless he has already been informed.

Approve _____

Disapprove *JFM*

I sent the original to the President

Attachments:

Tab I Memorandum to the President

Tab A Memorandum from Secretary Shultz to the President

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JOHN M. POINDEXTER

SUBJECT: Memorandum from George Shultz on the Soviet
Reaction to Our Actions in Libya

Issue

Soviet protest of our actions in Libya.

Facts

The Soviet Foreign Ministry protested to Art Hartman on the 15th. The Soviets said Foreign Minister Shevardnadze's visit to the U.S. is "not possible at this time" and implied that they might undertake further unspecified actions.

Discussion

The Soviet decision appears to be a low cost means of responding to the situation and suggests that they are not seriously attracted to the idea of a July summit, but are aiming for the end of the year.

Recommendation

OK No

That you review the attached memorandum from George Shultz.

Attachment:

Tab A Memorandum from George Shultz

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

April 15, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: George P. Shultz *GPS*
SUBJECT: Soviet Reaction to U.S. Actions in Libya

Art Hartman was called to the Soviet Foreign Ministry on Tuesday afternoon by the head of their U.S.A. Department. The Soviets told Art that because of U.S. actions in Libya the meeting between Shevardnadze and me, scheduled for May 14-16, was "not possible at this time," and that the U.S. was responsible for this turn of events. The Soviets will be making an announcement this evening and they suggested that they may undertake further measures. Art was also told that Soviet planes and ships have been operating, and will continue to operate in the Mediterranean. The Soviets said the U.S. should not seek to interfere with their air and naval activities.

Art Hartman believes that since the Soviets are engaging us publicly on this question, we should be prepared to respond. Art found the White House background materials very useful and believes in particular that when the Soviets raise the question of loss of life resulting from our operations that we respond with chapter and verse on our casualties from acknowledged Libyan terrorist activities. I agree. We will be working with the NSC to ensure that our response is coordinated and effective.

It is not clear at this point whether the Soviets are actually cancelling, postponing, or calling into question the scheduled meeting. At this point, however, we have to assume the meeting will not occur as scheduled. This will of course make it more difficult to organize a July summit. For the Soviets, who appeared in any case to be planning on December, cancelling the meeting is a low cost means of responding not only to the Libya situation, but to such previous slights as our move against their UN mission.

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