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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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May 28, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. *AMH*

Subject: Schmidt's Meeting with Mitterrand

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The Germans have provided our Charge in Bonn with a full read-out on Schmidt's May 24 meeting with Mitterrand. In addition to the discussion of possible U.S.-French contacts, which I reported to you separately, the highlights were as follows:

-- Schmidt conveyed your greetings to Mitterrand, told him you wanted close relations with the Allies based on active consultations, and looked forward to close cooperation with Mitterrand. Mitterrand listened carefully and said he considered this an important message. Schmidt's impression was that Mitterrand wanted good and productive relations with us.

-- Schmidt gave Mitterrand his impressions of his Washington visit and they spoke about the French role in the Alliance. Mitterrand indicated there would be no change in the French attitude. He endorsed the NATO double decision on Theater Nuclear Forces installation and negotiation.

-- Mitterrand said he would not change his previous positive attitude toward Israel, though he acknowledged the need for good relations with the Arabs. Mitterrand noted that two cabinet appointments (Foreign Minister Cheysson and Foreign Trade Minister Jobert) had been made with the Arabs in mind, and that he would send an emissary to the Arabs soon.

-- Mitterrand expressed concern over U.S. interest rate policies and hoped U.S. economic policy would not adversely affect his own hopes for French economic resurgence. Mitterrand said he would defend the franc and was not considering devaluation. France would stay in the European Monetary System. Schmidt promised to be helpful.

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(The Germans share French concerns about our interest rates).

-- Mitterrand said he would participate in the North-South Summit in Mexico next October.

-- Mitterrand shared Schmidt's misgivings over the recent arrangement to limit Japanese auto exports to the U.S.

-- The Germans say Mitterrand wants to continue and develop close Franco-German relations within the European Community setting. A Franco-German Summit has been advanced to July, before the Ottawa Summit.

-- Our German interlocutor did not know whether Schmidt had raised with Mitterrand our concerns over the possibility that Communists would be included in the French government.

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May 28, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
From: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
Subject: Visit to Washington by French Foreign Minister

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As I reported to you earlier, French Foreign Minister Cheysson expressed the desire to visit Washington before the June 14-21 French legislative elections to establish a dialogue with us. We have now agreed on a visit on June 4-6.

Since we have to be careful to give Cheysson treatment equal to what we offered Francois-Poncet last February, I hope you will be able to see Cheysson for a half-hour sometime on June 5 or 6. I will also ask the Vice President, and -- given Cheysson's interest in economic issues -- Don Regan, Murray Weidenbaum and Paul Volcker to see him.

If you agree, when you see Cheysson, you could ask him to convey a message to Mitterrand that you would like to send the Vice President to Paris after the legislative elections to establish contact with him, if mutually convenient dates can be arranged. We, of course, would have to rethink this course were Mitterrand to take Communists into the Government.

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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May 28, 1981

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SUBJ: HABIB MISSION: SYRIAN MILITARY MOVES

REF: DAMASCUS 0071, 0070

FOR AMB. DEELYE FROM HABIB

1. ~~TO~~ - ENLIRE TEXT.)

2. INFORM WADDUUR THAT, WHILE NO ONE IS IN POSITION TO GIVE UNQUALIFIED GUARANTEES, IT REMAINS MY CONVICTION THAT ISRAEL INTENDS TO GIVE MY MISSION A FULL OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED AND THAT ISRAEL WILL NOT RPT NOT ATTACK THE SYRIAN FORCES IN LEBANON DURING THIS PERIOD AS LONG AS THERE IS NO INCREASE IN OR ESCALATION OF SYRIAN MILITARY ACTIVITY OR PREPARATIONS IN LEBANON PROPER. IF SYRIAN FORCES MOVE AS INDICATED, THEN ISRAELIS MAY FEEL IMPELLED TO REACT.

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MESSAGE (CONTINUED):

3. TELL WADDUQ IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND ALSO THAT MY MISSION IS CONTINUING. ISRAEL REALIZES THIS FULLY.

4. STRICTLY FYI ISRAELI MILITARY ACTIONS AGAINST THE PALESTINIANS IN LEBANON ARE ANOTHER MATTER. THE ISRAELIS MAY STRIKE THE PALESTINIANS SOONER RATHER THAN LATER BUT PROBABLY NOT ON A MAJOR SCALE. OBVIOUSLY YOU CANNOT SAY THIS TO THE SYRIANS, BUT SHOULD LIMIT MY ASSURANCE TO THE SYRIAN FORCES IN LEBANON. END FYI. HAKIMAN

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

29 MAY

RE: Contacts with the French

Janet Colson advised me that the attached memo fm Mr. Allen, dtd 28 May, to Secretary Haig was LDX'd. We would like the memo itself dispatched to the Secretary's office, for record purposes.

Thank you.

JCP

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WASHINGTON

May 28, 1981

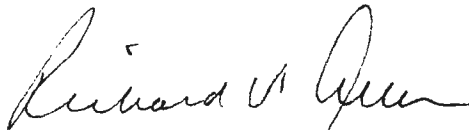
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.
THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

The President has approved your suggestion to invite the French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, to Washington on June 4 - 8, 1981 to meet with you, Treasury Secretary Regan and others.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:



Richard V. Allen
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

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White House Guidelines, August 28, 1997
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 26, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Allen*
SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

Attached is a memorandum from Al Haig to you recommending the Vice President not go to France at this time. Further, he recommends he invite the French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, to Washington on June 4 - 8.

If you concur with Al's recommendations, I will so notify him.

Agree

RR

Disagree

CC: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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White House
By *[signature]* Date *12/14/87*

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 26, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. *(signature)*
SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

On Saturday, May 23, I learned of the Vice President's desire to visit Paris as soon as possible to initiate high-level contacts with the new Government of France. Meanwhile, we had asked Chancellor Schmidt when he was here last week to sound out the French on this subject during his visit to Paris over the weekend.

After Schmidt returned to Bonn, the Germans gave our Charge, Bill Woessner, a debriefing on Schmidt's conversations with Mitterrand. The upshot of this debrief was that the French are very eager to begin their contacts with us, but prefer to do it in Washington and at a level somewhat lower than the Mitterrand-Bush level. The French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, called our Ambassador in Paris yesterday, May 25, to convey the same message.

Most recently, the French Ambassador in Washington, Francois de Laboulaye, called on Larry Eagleburger at noon today to convey Paris' desire for an invitation for Cheysson to visit Washington within the next ten days to meet with me and with senior economic officials. I suspect that their desire to meet with economic officials stems from two concerns: (a) the French are getting more than a little bit nervous about capital flight, the stock market, and the weakening franc; and (b) Cheysson does not want to be accused by the French Right of taking instructions from Washington.

I have since talked with the Vice President, in light of the above, who has decided to forego his plans to go to Paris in the immediate future. If you agree, I would suggest that we invite Cheysson to come to Washington to meet with me, Treasury Secretary Regan, and others on June 4-8. While he is here, we could propose that the Vice President go to Paris after the second round of French Parliamentary elections in late June for conversations with Mitterrand on the future of US-French bilateral relations. If your schedule permits, I would recommend that you give Cheysson a few minutes of your time as well while he is in Washington.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

INFORMATION

May 29, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM:

JAMES M. RENTSCHLER *feb*

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with Former Spanish Foreign Minister Oreja
(Friday, May 29 - 1:30 p.m.)

Oreja, though no longer with the government, remains an influential and well-wired figure in the Madrilenian political scene (he is also the brother-in-law of Jose Llado, the Spanish Ambassador here). Your exchange with him would be particularly informative in the following areas:

-- Post-Coup Atmosphere. What can Oreja tell us about the solidity of the present Calvo Sotelo government and the evolution of democracy?

-- King Juan Carlos. What is his position? Has he emerged strengthened or weakened from the coup attempt? Will the military continue to support him?

-- Barcelona Bank Caper. What is the significance of this hostage-taking act? Does it represent an isolated incident or does it portend even more serious activity against public order?

-- Terrorism. Ask Oreja for a political balance-sheet on this issue.

Time permitting, you might also wish to probe him on current Spanish attitudes concerning NATO membership and the prospects for a satisfactory bases agreement. (Last June Oreja had spoken out publicly in favor of an accelerated Spanish bid for NATO membership).

Spanish Embassy Minister Alonso Alvarez de Toledo will accompany Oreja.

cc: Dennis Blair
Jim Lilley

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FROM RENTSCHLER

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

F.O. 12065: RDS-1 5/29/01 (HARTMAN, ARTHUR A.) OR-M

TAGS: PGDV, PINT, FR

SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH PRIME MINISTER MAUROY

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2. THE PRIME MINISTER INVITED DONNA AND ME TO JOIN HIM FOR BREAKFAST WITH GOVERNOR AND MRS. HUGHES OF MARYLAND. MAUROY, AS MAYOR OF LILLE AND HEAD OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE NORTH OF FRANCE, HAS HAD A STRONG INTEREST IN DEVELOPING EXCHANGES TO BENEFIT THE ECONOMY OF THE REGION, AND THIS VISIT WITH THE GOVERNOR HAD BEEN LAID ON SOME TIME BEFORE THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. HE SAID HE WANTED TO USE THIS OCCASION AS THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO GREET ME IN HIS PRESENT FUNCTION, AND HE RECALLED WITH GREAT PLEASURE OUR EARLIER CONTACTS AND PARTICULARLY A LONG DINNER CONVERSATION AT THE CITY HALL OF LILLE, AT WHICH WE HAD MET WITH A SMALL GROUP OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THEIR VIEW OF SOCIALISM. MAUROY ALSO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR WHAT HE TERMED THE "OPENNESS" OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IN PARIS TOWARD THE SOCIALIST PARTY IN RECENT YEARS. THIS, HE SAID, HAD NOT BEEN THE CASE WITH CERTAIN OTHER EMBASSIES.

3. RECALLING THIS DISCUSSION IN LILLE, MAUROY LAUNCHED INTO A FAIRLY IMPASSIONED RESTATEMENT OF COMMON OBJECTIVES, E.G., STRONG ATTACHMENT TO LIBERTY AND DEMOCRACY, ABHORRENCE OF MOVEMENTS WHICH SEEK TO DEPRIVE CITIZENS OF THEIR RIGHTS, ETC. HE SAID THAT PRESIDENT MITTERRAND HAD ASKED HIM TO CONVEY TO ME AND THROUGH ME TO MY GOVERNMENT HIS STRONG ATTACHMENT TO THESE PRINCIPLES AND HIS PLEASURE AND GRATIFICATION AT THE RECOGNITION OF THESE BASIC TIES

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IN THE WARM MESSAGES HE RECEIVED FROM THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT.

4. MAUROY THEN RECALLED OUR LONGER DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY IN FRANCE, IN WHICH HE SAID HE HAD THE FEELING HE HAD NOT CONVINCED ME THAT THE SOCIALIST PARTY'S STRATEGY WAS THE CORRECT ONE. HE HOPED NOW WE WOULD SEE THAT, THROUGH A STRENGTHENED SOCIALIST PARTY, THE POSITION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY HAD BEEN GREATLY WEAKENED, AND HE PREDICTED WOULD BE WEAKENED STILL FURTHER UNTIL THE POINT WAS REACHED WHERE IT WOULD SEE IT IN ITS OWN INTEREST TO BECOME A GENUINE DEMOCRATIC PARTY WHOSE PARTICIPATION FRENCH SOCIETY COULD ACCEPT WITHOUT FEAR THAT IT WOULD UNDERMINE THE SYSTEM ITSELF. I SAID THAT IMPLIED THAT COMMUNIST PARTY WOULD HAVE TO CHANGE SOME OF ITS BASIC BELIEFS AND IN THAT CASE I DID NOT SEE WHY PEOPLE WOULD REMAIN IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND NOT JUST JOIN THE MAJOR SOCIALIST AND SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT. HE SMILED AND SAID THAT WAS OBVIOUSLY THE TACTIC OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY. I SAID THAT OUR CONCERNS REMAIN IF COMMUNISTS SHOULD BE PART OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THAT I HOPED THERE WOULD BE SOME WAY TO CONTINUE APPLYING THIS SOCIALIST TACTIC WITHOUT ACTUALLY INVITING THE COMMUNISTS INTO THE GOVERNMENT. MAUROY REPLIED THAT IT WAS BY NO MEANS CERTAIN AND HE COULD ASSURE ME THAT NO DECISION HAD BEEN TAKEN AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THERE WOULD BE COMMUNIST PARTICIPATION. THAT WAS A MATTER WHICH WOULD BE FACED AFTER THE LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS. MAUROY IMPLIED THAT AGREEMENTS WITH THE COMMUNISTS MIGHT BE LIMITED TO MUTUAL SUPPORT ON THE SECOND ROUND OF THE LEGISLATIVE ELECTION, IN WHICH CASE THE COMMUNISTS WOULD NOT RECEIVE MINISTRIES. IN ANY CASE, IF THE COMMUNISTS DID NOT ACCEPT THE SOCIALIST PROGRAM, THEY COULD NOT BE IN THE GOVERNMENT.

5. I THEN SKETCHED SOME OF THE AREAS OF COMMON CONCERN IN THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS FIELD AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE COMING CHEYSSON VISIT WOULD GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO CLARIFY YOUR VIEWS ON THESE IMPORTANT ISSUES. MAUROY HAD WITH HIM SENATOR PONTILLON, WHO APPARENTLY WILL BE HANDLING FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR THE PRIME MINISTER AND WHO PROMISED TO GET TOGETHER SOON TO DISCUSS THE SPECIFICS OF THESE ISSUES TO ASSURE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WAS WELL INFORMED ON AMERICAN POLICY. ONE AREA WAS COVERED IN OUR CONVERSATION. MAUROY MENTIONED THAT HANS APEL WAS ONE OF HIS OLDEST FRIENDS FROM THEIR DAYS IN THE EUROPEAN SOCIALIST YOUTH MOVEMENT. I SAID THAT APEL NEEDED HELP.

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NOW WITH THE LEFT WING OF HIS PARTY, AND MAUROY RESPONDED THAT MITTERRAND WAS WELL AWARE OF THIS AND WOULD BE TAKING STEPS TO SHOW HIS CONCERN ABOUT SOVIET CAPABILITIES AND THEIR THREAT TO THE SECURITY OF WESTERN EUROPE. HE ALSO SAID THAT WE SHOULD WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER ON FOLLOWING THE SITUATION IN POLAND.

6. I ENDED OUR CONVERSATION ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS BY SAYING THAT THERE MAY COME A TIME WHEN I WILL ASK FOR HELP IN GETTING OUR POINT OF VIEW ACROSS TO THE PRESIDENT SINCE I UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS COULD PRESENT CERTAIN DIFFICULTIES. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD HELP IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE AND LOOKED FORWARD TO CONTINUED CLOSE RELATIONS WITH OUR GOVERNMENT. HARTMAN

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SUBJ: (S) REPORTED PRG SALES OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL TO
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REF: STATE 107891

(S) AS PER REFTEL, SECOUNSELOR BROUGHT MFA LGAIN, OF
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STATUS OF PRG NUCLEAR SALS TO SOUTH AFRICA AND
ARGENTINA. THE POSSIBLE USE OF AN AIR FRANCE FLIGHT
TO TRANSPORT THE NUCLEAR MATERIAL FROM SHANGHAI TO
PARIS WAS DISCUSSED AND MFA WILL LOOK INTO
SITUATION. HARTMAN

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E.O. 12065:RDS-1, 5/29/88 (MARSHALL, HARRY)UES

TAGS:IMNUC, IECH, PARM, ENRG, SF, CH, AR

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

REF: STATE 137891

1. SUBSEQUENT TO REFIEL, WE HAVE RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION WHICH YOU SHOULD PASS TO FRENCH AUTHORITIES AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY:

-- OUR MOST RECENT INFORMATION IS THAT THE [REDACTED]

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MESSAGE (CONTINUED):

IS STILL TRYING TO SHIP [REDACTED]
THROUGH EUROPE. WE SUSPECT THAT THEY MAY TRY TO SHIP THE
[REDACTED] FROM HONG KONG TO PARIS ON AN AIR FRANCE FLIGHT
FOLLOWING ARRIVAL IN HONG KONG.

[REDACTED] WE SUSPECT THAT IN
ORDER TO AVOID CUSTOMS SCRUTINY, THE DOCUMENTATION FOR THE
SHIPMENT MAY NOT STATE THAT IT CONTAINS [REDACTED] BUT
MIGHT LIST SOME COMMON CHEMICAL INSTEAD.

AFTER PASSING THE INFORMATION, YOU SHOULD REQUEST FRENCH
ASSISTANCE IN PREVENTING THE SHIPMENT OF THE MATERIAL SHOULD
UK EFFORTS NOT SUCCEED.

FOR LONDON: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] YOU
SHOULD FOLLOW WITH APPROPRIATE CONTACTS TO ASSURE THAT THE
MESSAGES ARE BEING RECEIVED. STUESSEL

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E.O. 12000: RUS-1 0/30/11 (HARTMAN, ARTHUR A.) OR-M

TAGS: PEPK, PINI, FR, XM

SUBJ: POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF REGIS DEBRAY AS

PRESIDENTIAL FOREIGN POLICY ADVISOR AT THE ELYSEE

1. ~~18-ENTIRE~~ TEXT.)

2. THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF REGIS DEBRAY AS A PRESIDENTIAL FOREIGN POLICY ADVISOR AT THE ELYSEE IS PERHAPS AS GOOD AN ILLUSTRATION AS ANY OF THE ROMANTIC REVOLUTIONARY SIDE OF FRANCOIS MITTERRAND'S CHARACTER (EVIDENTLY THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF MADE THIS CHOICE WHICH WE LATER HAS ALREADY TOUCHED OFF AN ARGUMENT WITHIN THE SOCIALIST PARTY. ALTHOUGH IT WAS ANNOUNCED SOME DAYS AGO, IT HAS NOT YET BEEN FORMALIZED IN THE JOURNAL OFFICIAL). THE CHOICE OF DEBRAY HAS CERTAINLY BEEN NOTED AND HAS RAISED EYEBROWS ALL AROUND TOWN. WE HAVE NOT HEARD OR SEEN ANY FAVORABLE COMMENT ON THIS APPOINTMENT, BUT WE HAVE HEARD CONSIDERABLE CRITICISM. THE MOST FAVORABLE COMMENT IS THAT THIS POSITION IS NOT CON-SEQUENTIAL AND THAT DEBRAY WILL NOT MAKE POLICY. MANY FRENCH SOCIALISTS VIEW LATIN AMERICA AS AN AREA IN WHICH THEY CAN APPLY ALL THEIR THEORIES ON DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN RIGHTS. THEIR IGNORANCE OF THE REALITIES OF LATIN AMERICA ARE PERHAPS BEST EXPLAINED BY THE FACT THAT

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MESSAGE (CONTINUED):

THIS AREA IS NOT REALLY RELEVANT TO FRENCH NATIONAL INTERESTS. THUS, FROM A CERTAIN FRENCH POINT OF VIEW, THE EXERCISE OF POLITICAL THEORIES, AS EXEMPLIFIED BY DEBRAY, IS HARMLESS. MANIFESTLY, THE FRENCH, AND THIS MUST INCLUDE PRESIDENT MITTERRAND, DO NOT UNDERSTAND THAT LATIN AMERICA AND PARTICULARLY CENTRAL AMERICA, IS AN AREA THAT DIRECTLY INVOLVES US NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS.

3. SINCE WE HAVE HEARD OF DEBRAY'S APPOINTMENT WE HAVE MADE SURE THAT OUR REACTION GOT AROUND TOWN, AND HAVE BEEN MAKING SELECTIVELY SOME OF THE ABOVE POINTS. THE SOCIALIST LEADERSHIP HAS GONE OUT OF ITS WAY BOTH PRIVATELY AND PUBLICLY TO EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT FRENCH-US RELATIONS WOULD REMAIN EXCELLENT. WE HAVE RESPONDED THAT THIS WAS OUR HOPE ALSO AND THAT WE WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO CREATING A COOPERATIVE CLIMATE. THE WARMTH OF PRESIDENT REAGAN'S MESSAGE WAS WIDELY NOTED AND IN THIS RESPECT VERY HELPFUL. THUS, WE HAVE BEEN SAYING THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBRAY TO THE ELYSEE IS PUZZLING IN THAT IT IS CONTRARY TO ALL THAT WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE NEW LEADERSHIP. REGIS DEBRAY IS A PERSON WHO HAS MADE A LIFE-LONG ADVOCACY OF VIOLENCE AS A POLITICAL MEANS AND WHO HAS CONSIDERED "AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" AS THE GREATEST THREAT IN TODAY'S WORLD. IN SUM, THE DEBRAY APPOINTMENT RAISES FOR THE FIRST TIME REAL QUESTIONS IN OUR MIND REGARDING THE TRUE DIRECTION, AS DISTINCT FROM RHETORIC, OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

4. IN MY CONVERSATION WITH CHEYSSON THIS MORNING I SAID THAT THE REAL DANGER FOR US-FRENCH RELATIONS COULD COME IN AREAS WHERE NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS WERE NOT TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. AFTER THE MEETING I SAID PRIVATELY TO CHEYSSON THAT I WAS APPALLED BY THE THOUGHT OF DEBRAY IN OR NEAR THE ELYSEE. HE BEGAN DEFENSIVELY BY SAYING WHO THEY PUT WHERE WAS THEIR BUSINESS BUT THEN SAID WE COULD BE SURE ONLY THREE PEOPLE WOULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANT SAY IN FOREIGN POLICY: PRESIDENT MITTERRAND, THE PRIME MINISTER AND HIMSELF. HE ANSWERED MY JEST THAT PRESIDENT MITTERRAND HAD A ROMANTIC CHARACTER BY SAYING THAT NO ROMANTIC COULD HAVE STUCK IT OUT AS LONG AS HE DID TO BECOME PRESIDENT OF FRANCE. HE DID ADD THAT THE MAN IS LOYAL TO PAST FRIENDSHIPS AND THAT IS AN ATTRACTIVE PART OF HIS CHARACTER. THIS PRESUMABLY TO EXPLAIN THE ODD

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ASSORTMENT OF LEFT INTELLECTUALS INVITED TO THE INAUGURATION.

5. MY RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WE SAY NOTHING PUBLIC ABOUT THIS MATTER AND NOTHING MORE IN PRIVATE UNTIL WE SEE HOW THIS MESSAGE IS DIGESTED HERE. I AM SURE THAT MANY CLOSE TO MITTERRAND ARE EQUALLY APPALLED. I WILL DISCUSS THIS MATTER WHEN I AM IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK.
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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 12065: RDS-1 5/30/81 (HARTMAN, ARTHUR A.) OR-M

TAGS: PGOV, PINT, FR

SUBJECT: CALL ON FONMIN CLAUDE CHEYSSON

1. (SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.)
2. I CALLED ON THE NEW MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS CHEYSSON THIS MORNING AT HIS INVITATION. HE WANTED TO SEE ME, HE SAID, TO EXPRESS HIS SATISFACTION AT THE OPPORTUNITY OF GOING TO WASHINGTON AND MEETING THE SECRETARY SO EARLY. I WAS THE FIRST AMBASSADOR HE HAD RECEIVED. THIS WAS ONLY RIGHT AS THE UNITED STATES WAS THE PRINCIPAL ALLY OF FRANCE.
3. IN OUR CONVERSATION HE ESSENTIALLY OUTLINED THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE NEW SOCIALIST GOVERNMENT, WHICH HE SAID HE WOULD DESCRIBE IN WASHINGTON IN DETAIL. HE STRESSED SEVERAL POINTS. FIRST, FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY WOULD SHOW CONTINUITY. FOR INSTANCE, AS HE HAD PUBLICLY STATED, THEY WOULD HONOR ALL CONTRACTS SIGNED BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING THOSE ON ARMAMENTS, EVEN THOUGH, AS HE PUT IT, SOME "STUCK IN OUR CRAW." SECONDLY, THEIR POLICY WOULD START FROM THE SAME BASES. FOR INSTANCE, THEY WOULD REMAIN IN THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON NAMIBIA. THERE WOULD BE NO SHARP CHANGES OF DIRECTION, BUT IT SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE WOULD BE CHANGES OF ORIENTATION. THIRDLY, HE RE-AFFIRMED THE IMPORTANCE THAT HIS GOVERNMENT ATTACHES TO THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE. PRESIDENT MITTERRAND WAS PERSONALLY A STRONG SUPPORTER OF IT. HOWEVER, THERE WAS A NEED FOR A CLARITY OF UNDERSTANDING ON RESPONSIBILITIES WITHIN THE ALLIANCE. IT WOULD PROBABLY BE WELL TO HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL CONVERSATION BETWEEN US ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ALLIANCE. THEY DO NOT WANT AN EXTENSION OF IT AND THEY DO NOT INTEND TO RETURN TO THE MILITARY ORGANIZATION, BUT THEY WANT TO

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BE ABLE TO DISCUSS SOME OF THE GREAT SUBJECTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. FOR INSTANCE, THEY FELT THAT THE ALLIES HAD WAITED TOO LONG TO CONSULT ON AFGHANISTAN. THERE WAS ALSO MONETARY POLICY WHICH SHOULD BE DISCUSSED NOT IN THE ALLIANCE BUT AMONG IMPORTANT MEMBERS BECAUSE OF ITS IMPORTANCE TO THE ALLIANCE. THEY HAD IDEAS REGARDING THESE MATTERS, BUT HE DID NOT ELABORATE ON THEM IN THIS CONVERSATION.

4. ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS, HE THOUGHT THAT THEY HAD SAID EVERYTHING THEY HAD TO SAY IN PUBLIC AND HE WOULD WANT TO SPEAK WITH THE SECRETARY FURTHER ON THE SUBJECT. HE THOUGHT THAT PERHAPS THERE WERE ISSUES WHICH THE U.S. CONSIDERED AS EAST-WEST, WHILE THE FRENCH WOULD RATHER BELIEVE IT WOULD BE MORE PRODUCTIVE TO PURSUE THESE AS RELATED MORE TO OTHER AREAS.

5. ON CONSULTATIONS, HE SEEMED TO RECOGNIZE THEIR IMPORTANCE AND INDICATED FLEXIBILITY ON HOW THEY MIGHT BE CONDUCTED, MENTIONING U.S., GERMANY AND THE U.K. WITHOUT, HOWEVER, LEAVING OUT ITALY.

6. IN FURTHER OUTLINING FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY, HE AGAIN EXPRESSED THE FIRM ATTACHMENT OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE AND THE IMPORTANCE OF FRENCH-U.S. RELATIONS. HE HOPES FOR DETAILED DISCUSSIONS ON POLAND, WHICH HE CONSIDERS THE KEY TO MANY PROBLEMS. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE MITTERRAND GOVERNMENT WILL WANT TO KEEP PRIVILEGED RELATIONS WITH GERMANY AND THAT ONE OF THE MAJOR POST-WAR FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES OF FRANCE WAS TO ACHIEVE RECONCILIATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE THOUGHT THIS HAD SUCCEEDED AND IT REMAINED A BASIC ELEMENT OF FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY. HOWEVER, THESE RELATIONS WERE NOT EXCLUSIVE. CARRINGTON HAD BEEN IN PARIS ON THURSDAY AND THEY ALSO INTENDED TO MAINTAIN RELATIONS WITH OTHER "OLD ALLIES" SUCH AS ITALY.

7. I SUGGESTED THAT WE MIGHT FIND DIFFERENCES ON THIRD WORLD ISSUES. CHEYSSON DID NOT DENY THE POINT; HOWEVER, HE EMPHASIZED THAT DIVERSITY OF VIEWS WAS AN ELEMENT OF STRENGTH IN THE ALLIANCE AND DIFFERENCES WERE "STIMULATING." IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT WE ALL LEARN TO DISCUSS OUR DIFFERENCES.

8. ON THIRD WORLD QUESTIONS, I EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT WE WOULD BE CAREFUL IN TREATING SOME OF THESE ISSUES WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT SOME HAD SECURITY IMPLICATIONS FOR THE OTHER. I ALSO ADDED LIGHTLY THAT IN APPROACHING SOME OF THESE PROBLEMS, PRESIDENT MITTERRAND SEEMED TO HAVE A ROMANTIC STREAK.

9. I EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THEY WOULD MAKE A CAREFUL

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APPRECIATION OF CERTAIN SITUATIONS, NOTING THE REPORT OF WISCHNEWSKI ON CENTRAL AMERICA. I WANTED TO IMPLY NOT AN ENDORSEMENT OF ALL ITS CONCLUSIONS, BUT THAT WISCHNEWSKI HAD AT LEAST ATTEMPTED TO GET THE FACTS. CHEYSSON IMMEDIATELY PICKED UP THE POINT AND SAID THAT WISCHNEWSKI WAS A VERY OLD FRIEND, THAT HE HAD IN FACT SEEN HIS REPORT AND FELT IN CLOSE AGREEMENT WITH ITS CONCLUSIONS. HE MENTIONED THAT, IN FACT, WISCHNEWSKI HAD VISITED HIM JUST A FEW DAYS AFTER THE PRESIDENT'S ELECTION. IN CLOSING ON THIS POINT, HE SAID THAT WE SHOULD REMEMBER WHAT TWENTY-THREE YEARS IN THE OPPOSITION CAN DO TO A PARTY AND KIDDED ME FOR USING THE WORD "EXPERT" TO DESCRIBE SOCIALIST PARTY OFFICIALS DEALING WITH LATIN AMERICA. HE IMPLIED THAT LONG OPPOSITION MAKES PEOPLE THEORETICAL AND DOCTRINAIRE AND THIS WILL TAKE TIME TO CHANGE. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE SOCIALISTS HAD HAD OCCASION OVER THE YEARS TO MEET ISRAELI SOCIALISTS, BUT NO ARABS SINCE THERE WERE NO ARAB SOCIALISTS.

10. IN CLOSING, HE AGAIN EXPRESSED HIS PLEASURE AT THE OPPORTUNITY OF GOING TO WASHINGTON SO EARLY IN HIS MANDATE AND DISCUSSING OUR RESPECTIVE VIEWS. HARTMAN

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June 1, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Jul*

SUBJECT: Visit by French Foreign Minister Cheysson (U)

Al Haig's memo (Tab A) strongly recommends that you meet with newly appointed French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson when the latter visits here June 4-6. Al notes that Cheysson, a close associate of President Mitterrand, will be in a good and timely position to speak authoritatively on French policy intentions and priorities as the Mitterrand team assumes office. In addition, it is important to remember that you gave generously of your time earlier this year when Cheysson's predecessor, Francois-Poncet, was in town. The Mitterrand people are very much aware of that fact and will be looking to see if you are willing to give them "equal time". (C)

I fully concur with Al's recommendation and have already forwarded a formal schedule proposal to that effect through the usual Greg Newell channel. (A 30-minute office meeting would be appropriate). (U)

RECOMMENDATION:

That you agree to meet with Foreign Minister Cheysson during his June 4-6 visit. (U)

Approve _____; Disapprove _____

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June 1, 1981

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

TO: GREGORY J. NEWELL, DIRECTOR
PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEDULING

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *RVA*

REQUEST: Meeting with French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson (U)

PURPOSE: To pay a courtesy call on you on behalf of President Mitterrand and to make initial contacts between the U.S. and the new French government. (U)

BACKGROUND: Cheysson, a hand-picked confidant of Mitterrand, will be visiting Washington in virtually his first foreign trip as France's new Foreign Minister. He will be having detailed substantive discussions with Secretary Haig and other U.S. officials. The occasion will provide an early opportunity to probe French intentions and priorities as Mitterrand's people take charge. Secretary Haig has strongly recommended this meeting and notes that the President had met earlier this year with Giscard's Foreign Minister Francois-Poncet - a fact well known to the new government. (U)

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: None. (U)

DATE: June 4-6, 1981 (U)

DURATION: 30 minutes. (U)

LOCATION: Oval Office. (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President, Vice President, Secretary Haig, Richard V. Allen, senior NSC staffer. (U)

OUTLINE OF EVENT: A half-hour office meeting would be the only Presidential involvement in Cheysson's visit. (C)

REMARKS REQUIRED: Briefing materials to be provided by NSC. (U)

MEDIA COVERAGE: Full photo coverage. (U)

RECOMMENDED BY: State Department (See Secretary Haig's memo to the President, attached). (U)

OPPOSED BY: None. (U)

PROJECT OFFICER: Richard V. Allen. (U)

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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May 26, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. *(C)* #6906

SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

On Saturday, May 23, I learned of the Vice President's desire to visit Paris as soon as possible to initiate high-level contacts with the new Government of France. Meanwhile, we had asked Chancellor Schmidt when he was here last week to sound out the French on this subject during his visit to Paris over the weekend.

After Schmidt returned to Bonn, the Germans gave our Charge, Bill Woessner, a debriefing on Schmidt's conversations with Mitterrand. The upshot of this debrief was that the French are very eager to begin their contacts with us, but prefer to do it in Washington and at a level somewhat lower than the Mitterrand-Bush level. The French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, called our Ambassador in Paris yesterday, May 25, to convey the same message.

Most recently, the French Ambassador in Washington, Francois de Laboulaye, called on Larry Eagleburger at noon today to convey Paris' desire for an invitation for Cheysson to visit Washington within the next ten days to meet with me and with senior economic officials. I suspect that their desire to meet with economic officials stems from two concerns: (a) the French are getting more than a little bit nervous about capital flight, the stock market, and the weakening franc; and (b) Cheysson does not want to be accused by the French Right of taking instructions from Washington.

I have since talked with the Vice President, in light of the above, who has decided to forego his plans to go to Paris in the immediate future. If you agree, I would suggest that we invite Cheysson to come to Washington to meet with me, Treasury Secretary Regan, and others on June 4-8. While he is here, we could propose that the Vice President go to Paris after the second round of French Parliamentary elections in late June for conversations with Mitterrand on the future of US-French bilateral relations. If your schedule permits, I would recommend that you give Cheysson a few minutes of your time as well while he is in Washington.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

THROUGH: CHARLES P. TYSON *CT*

FROM: JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT: Visit of French Foreign Minister Cheysson

Al Haig's memo to the President (original at Tab A) strongly recommends a meeting between the President and newly appointed French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson when the latter arrives here for an official visit (June 4-6). Your memo to the President (Tab I) endorses that recommendation and informs him that a formal schedule proposal has been submitted. The latter is at Tab II (accompanied by a copy of the Haig memo).

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memo to the President at Tab I and the schedule proposal to Greg Newell at Tab II.

Approve *[Signature]* As Amended _____

cc: Dennis Blair
Jim Lilley

Attachments:

Tab I Memo to the President
A Secretary Haig's Memo to the President
Tab II Schedule Proposal

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
From: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
Subject: Visit to Washington by French
Foreign Minister

As I reported to you earlier, French Foreign Minister Cheysson expressed the desire to visit Washington before the June 14-21 French legislative elections to establish a dialogue with us. We have now agreed on a visit on June 4-6.

Since we have to be careful to give Cheysson treatment equal to what we offered François-Poncet last February, I hope you will be able to see Cheysson for a half-hour sometime on June 5 or 6. I will also ask the Vice President, and -- given Cheysson's interest in economic issues -- Don Regan, Murray Weidenbaum and Paul Volcker to see him.

VP

If you agree, when you see Cheysson, you could ask him to convey a message to Mitterrand that you would like to send the Vice President to Paris after the legislative elections to establish contact with him, if mutually convenient dates can be arranged. We, of course, would have to rethink this course were Mitterrand to take Communists into the Government.

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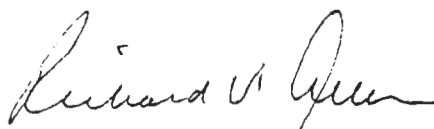
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.
THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

The President has approved your suggestion to invite the French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, to Washington on June 4 - 8, 1981 to meet with you, Treasury Secretary Regan and others.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:



Richard V. Allen
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 26, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Allen*
SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

Attached is a memorandum from Al Haig to you recommending the Vice President not go to France at this time. Further, he recommends he invite the French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, to Washington on June 4 - 8.

If you concur with Al's recommendations, I will so notify him.

Agree RR

Disagree _____

CC: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 26, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. (C)

SUBJECT: Contacts with the French

On Saturday, May 23, I learned of the Vice President's desire to visit Paris as soon as possible to initiate high-level contacts with the new Government of France. Meanwhile, we had asked Chancellor Schmidt when he was here last week to sound out the French on this subject during his visit to Paris over the weekend.

After Schmidt returned to Bonn, the Germans gave our Charge, Bill Woessner, a debriefing on Schmidt's conversations with Mitterrand. The upshot of this debrief was that the French are very eager to begin their contacts with us, but prefer to do it in Washington and at a level somewhat lower than the Mitterrand-Bush level. The French Foreign Minister, Cheysson, called our Ambassador in Paris yesterday, May 25, to convey the same message.

Most recently, the French Ambassador in Washington, Francois de Laboulaye, called on Larry Eagleburger at noon today to convey Paris' desire for an invitation for Cheysson to visit Washington within the next ten days to meet with me and with senior economic officials. I suspect that their desire to meet with economic officials stems from two concerns: (a) the French are getting more than a little bit nervous about capital flight, the stock market, and the weakening franc; and (b) Cheysson does not want to be accused by the French Right of taking instructions from Washington.

I have since talked with the Vice President, in light of the above, who has decided to forego his plans to go to Paris in the immediate future. If you agree, I would suggest that we invite Cheysson to come to Washington to meet with me, Treasury Secretary Regan, and others on June 4-8. While he is here, we could propose that the Vice President go to Paris after the second round of French Parliamentary elections in late June for conversations with Mitterrand on the future of US-French bilateral relations. If your schedule permits, I would recommend that you give Cheysson a few minutes of your time as well while he is in Washington.

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29 MAY

RE: Contacts with the French

Janet Colson advised me that the attached memo fm Mr. Allen, dtd 28 May, to Secretary Haig was LDX'd. We would like the memo itself dispatched to the Secretary's office, for record purposes.

Thank you.

JCP

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