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March 17, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

WILLIAM P. CLARKENSO FROM:

Your Meeting with Franz-Josef Strauss SUBJECT:

(Thursday, March 18 - 4 p.m.)

Issue

How should you play the visit of Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz-Josef Strauss in the larger context of U.S.-German bilateral relations?

Facts

Strauss, whom you met in Germany a little over four years ago in very cordial circumstances, badly wants a meeting with you to refurbish his own credentials as a political figure of international stature. He feels - with much justification - that his CSU party shares our political wavelength. For both partisan and genuinely patriotic motives he is concerned about the present leadership in the Federal Republic and believes that a change in German government is long overdue.

Discussion

Walt Stoessel's memo (Tab A) supplies a sensible profile of the inter-party situation in Germany at this moment and recommends that you take the high ground in your discussions with Strauss: treat him with the respect and consideration he richly deserves, but avoid being drawn into German personality issues. At the same time, it will be useful to stress the overriding interest both our countries have in a sound bilateral relationship. While emphasizing the importance we attach to the Allied "buddy system" in such key areas as the Bonn Summit, Poland, and Central America, you can implicitly appeal to Strauss' sense of statesmanship by asking him for his views on those subjects.

Tab A Walt Stoessel's Memo

CONFIDENTIAL Review on 3/16/88

Prepared By: James M. Rentschler

BY LOS NARA, DATE 7/6/01

TALKING POINTS - FRANZ-JOSEF STRAUSS

- CORDIALLY RECALL MTG. WITH STRAUSS IN DEC. 78
- STRESS IMPORTANCE OF FIRM ALLIED RESPONSE TO POLISH CRISIS; RELEVANCE OF BUCKLEY MISSION;
- WILL WORK HARD FOR SUCCESS OF NATO SUMMIT IN BONN (NO FIRM DECISIONS YET ON BILATERAL MTGS IN BONN OR BERLIN STOP);
- NEED ALLIED SUPPORT FOR U.S. POLICY IN CENTRAL AMERICA;
- -- STRAUSS VIEW OF CURRENT GERMAN POLITICS.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., Acting

SUBJECT: Visit of Franz-Josef Strauss, Minister-President of Bavaria, March 18 at 4:00 p.m.

I. THE SETTING

Strauss very much wanted this meeting with you and remembers fondly your meeting with him in December 1978 in Munich. He points out that in recent months he has made a series of public statements in harmony with the Administration's foreign policy.

Despite the fact that Strauss was unsuccessful in his 1980 bid for the chancellorship, he remains one of the most influential politicians in the Federal Republic. His power derives from his positions as a major national figure in opposition affairs, leader of the Christian Socialist Union (CSU), and Minister-President of the State of Bavaria. In a future opposition government, he would almost certainly exercise major influence, either as an eminence grise or as a senior member of the government team.

II. ISSUES

1. U.S.-German relations.

Strauss will undoubtedly paint a dismal picture of the current state of U.S. relations with the Schmidt government. He is likely to take the position that the differences between us and the Bonn government, and particularly between us and the SPD, are far deeper than we would admit even to ourselves. is likely to say that our differences with the Bonn government concern the most important issues of the late 20th century -i.e., how to manage the East-West relationship and how to ensure an adequate defense of the west. He will imply that an opposition government will make things right again between Bonn and Washington. In your talk with Strauss, you will wish to stress the positive regarding our relationship with the Schmidt government while at the same time expressing our appreciation for Strauss' strong support for Alliance positions. You might also wish to ask for his views on the internal political situation in the FRG.

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2. East-West relations.

Strauss told Ambassador Burns recently that he had never been against detente, but that no one in the West had ever defined in a sober and objective way a mutually beneficial East-West trade-off. Strauss believes that detente must be tough, pragmatic and indivisible on a global scale. He states that, for the Germans, Ostpolitik has represented a vaque dream which has ended up costing the FRG dearly. He charges that the Schmidt government has over-emphasized detente, under-emphasized the goal of eventual German reunification, and reacted inadequately to such Soviet actions as Poland and Afghanistan. As regards your attendance at the NATO Summit, Strauss may suggest bilateral meetings for you, e.g., with opposition leader Helmut Kohl, and he may urge you to visit Berlin. You might wish to: (a) stress the positive regarding Alliance reactions to Poland; (b) underscore the importance of the Buckley Mission; (c) express our determination to make the NATO Summit a success; and (d) be noncommital regarding your bilateral meetings in Germany and a trip to Berlin.

3. Third world questions.

Strauss' views on Third World issues are largely in harmony with those of the Administration. He has a special interest in Africa and knows many African leaders. He supports our Central America policy, and he greatly regrets the unhelpful news reports in German media and the unfortunate statements by certain FRG politicians.

You might wish to stress our concern over Nicaragua and El Salvador and ask what we can do to increase understanding in the FRG of the danger which the Central American situation represents for U.S. and Alliance security.



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March 16, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

THROUGH:

CHARLES P. TYSON

FROM:

JAMES M. RENTSCHLER TIM

SUBJECT:

President's Meeting with Bavarian

Minister-President Strauss (Thursday, March 18 4 p.m.)

Your memo to the President (Tab I) provides appropriate background and talking points for his fifteen-minute meeting on Thursday with Bavarian Minister-President and CSU leader Franz-Josef Strauss (a 3" x 5" card accompanies the memo).

RECOMMENDATION:

YES NO

___ That you sign the memo to the President at Tab I

Tab I Memo to the President
A - Walter Stoessel's Memo

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Mike

Strauss has some very sensitive political observations to make which I believe, the President would like to hear.
I doubt Strauss will mention them in a group this size—in fact I know he won't. As a consequence, I recommend that this meeting be one-on-one.

Please let me know.

Bud

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WASHINGTON

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March 17, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEAVER

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK P. 76

SUBJECT:

President's Meeting with Strauss:

Recommended Participants -- Oval Office

Following discussions with State, I recommend that participation in the President's March 18 meeting with Bavarian Minister-President and CSU Leader Franz Josef Strauss be structured as indicated below:

U.S.

FRG

Walt Stoessel

Franz-Josef Strauss

Arthur Burns

Ambassador Peter Hermes

Bill Clark

Friederich Zimmermann

Allen Holmes (Acting Asst. Sec.)

Jim Rentschler

You, Ed Meese, and Jim Baker would attend this meeting at your discretion.

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March 15, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

THROUGH:

CHARLES P. TYSON

FROM:

JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT:

President's March 18 Meeting with Strauss

Your memo to Mike Deaver (Tab I) provides a State-coordinated recommendation concerning participants in the President's March 18 meeting with Bavarian Minister-President Franz-Josef Strauss.

RECOMMENDATION:

YES

NO

___ That you sign the memo to Mike Deaver at Tab I

Tab I Memo to Mike Deaver



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Washington, D.C. 20520

March 13, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: The President's Meeting with Bavarian Minister-

President Franz-Josef Strauss on March 18: Suggested State Department Participation

Attached is our suggested list of Department of State participants in the meeting between the President and Bavarian Minister-President Franz-Josef Strauss on March 18 at 4:00 p.m.

The list of State Department participants is longer than would normally be the case for such a brief meeting (a 15 minute courtesy call). Reasons: (a) Ambassador Burns will be at the White House already attending the President's Economic Advisory Council meeting and he has stated that he wishes to attend the President's meeting with Strauss; and, (b) if the White House agrees, Strauss plans to be accompanied by several persons (exact number still under discussion).

L. Paul Bremer, III Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Suggested List of Participants for Strauss Meeting

SUGGESTED STATE DEPARTMENT PARTICIPANTS IN THE PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH BAVARIAN MINISTER-PRESIDENT FRANZ-JOSEF STRAUSS March 18, 1982 at 4:00 p.m.

Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., Deputy Secretary of State

Arthur F. Burns, American Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany

H. Allen Holmes, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs (Acting)

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March 11, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

German Attitude on East Bloc Credit Restrictions

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Prepared by: Richard Pipes

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

March 5, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

RICHARD PIPES H

SUBJECT:

German Attitude To East Bloc Credit Restrictions

In view of our decision to exert strong pressure on the Soviet Union through credit restrictions carried out in cooperation with our Allies, the attached intelligence report (Tab A) may be of great interest to the President (transmitting memorandum

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign and forward the memorandum at Tab I.

____Disapprove_____

Jim Rentschler concurs.

Attachments:

Tab I

Memorandum to the President

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Tab A Intelligence Report

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March 8, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with German Foreign Minister Genscher

(Tuesday, March 9 - 11:30 a.m.)

Though you will have already reviewed them in preparation for the President's own meeting later tomorrow, I attach a duplicate set of his briefing material (Tab I) which you may wish to draw on during the time you have scheduled with German Foreign Minister Genscher. Specifically, I recommend you touch on the following points with him:

- -- NATO Summit. The President is determined to work for its success, appreciates the Federal Republic's role as host, and believes an exceptional effort must be made to ensure Western unity and resolve. How does Genscher see the Summit and what is the status of German planning?
- -- Polish Crisis. We attach great importance to the Buckley Mission; we cannot accept "business as usual" with the Soviets and will be looking to our Allies for tangible support.
- -- Central America. We are concerned by some European reactions to our policy course in an area of vital strategic importance to us; as Under Secretary Eagleburger told the Danes, these reactions are particularly difficult to understand from Allies who are relatively passive on the magnitude of repression taking place in Poland but who at the same time feel compelled to lecture us about human rights in El Salvador.

Time permitting, you may also want to probe Genscher on the state of the present coalition and the position of his own Free Democrat party.

Late Note: I have just received Secretary Haiq's rundown of issues Genscher wants to raise with the President (based on the Secretary's dinner discussion with him last night), and have attached a copy at Tab II.

Tab I President's Briefing Material
Tab II Haig Memo

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher

(Tuesday, March 9 - 3 p.m.)

Issue

To see FRG Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and review key issues of concern to both the U.S. and Germany, with particular focus on the "twin summits" this June; and to develop German support for our approach to these issues.

Facts

Genscher's visit here and your exchange with him can play a major role in generating German support for the positions we want to advance in both Versailles (Economic Summit) and Bonn (NATO Summit) later this year. In a very real sense the Federal Republic will be the linch-pin of our dual summit strategy; success in securing German backing for U.S. efforts can go a long way toward bringing our other allies on board, especially in the controversial area of trade and economic policy where - despite some progress in forging Western unity - much more needs to be done to coordinate, Alliance-wide, a coherent East-West framework. This process must be seen, however, against a backdrop of growing German political fragility, in which Schmidt and Genscher, his coalition partner, confront significant internal opposition on both foreign and domestic policy issues.

Discussion

Al Haig's memo (Tab A) identifies the main areas where it will be useful to put forward our views and enlist Genscher's cooperation (or at least as much of it as the traffic will bear). I concur with the tack Al recommends but favor giving El Salvador and the situation in Central America a higher priority in your discussion than indicated in the attached material. Our European friends must understand the depth of our feeling on this issue and our determination to counter subversion in an area of vital security relevance to the United States. Hearing about this directly from you will ensure that Genscher goes back to Bonn with a clear message for Schmidt.

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Your meeting with the German Foreign Minister will also provide a timely opportunity to underscore the seriousness of our response to the Polish situation and our view that a "business as usual" approach is the surest way to transform an Eastern crisis into a crisis for the West. Genscher should, in other words, leave the Oval Office with the impression that we intend to work hard for success in both the Versailles and Bonn summits but that we oppose buying a bland and non-credible consensus at the expense of firm principle.

I believe that it will also be highly useful at the outset of your meeting to permit a full photo opportunity; this will strengthen, on both sides of the Atlantic, public perceptions of your commitment to Allied consultations.

Tab A Briefing Material

cc: The Vice President
Edwin Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver





Talking Points (continued)

- -- Central America is an area of vital U.S. strategic interest; Europe, in general, FRG in particular, should support our efforts there.
- -- We dislike high interest rates as much as anyone and reject the notion that U.S. policies are largely responsible for them.
 - Be prepared for strong Genscher pitch on behalf of a June Berlin stop.

1. Talking Points for March 9 Meeting with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher

- The United States will work hard to ensure success of economic and NATO Summits, especially latter (need German support for outcome that credibly demonstrates firm Western resolve and unity).
- -- U.S. cannot accept "business as usual" approach in Polish crisis (stress importance of Buckley mission).

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

March 5, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

SUBJECT: Visit of Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Vice

Chancellor and Foreign Minister of the Federal

Republic of Germany, March 7-9, 1982

I. THE SETTING

The Genscher visit comes at a time of growing strains both in the US-German relationship and within the political system and social fabric of the Federal Republic itself. These two processes interact, and in recent months this interaction has generally been in a negative direction. Misunderstandings in the bilateral relationship have resulted in problems within the German government and the weakness of that government has made for problems bilaterally. Our key objective is to maintain the greatest possible degree of harmony in our bilateral relationship and, thereby, contribute, to the extent we can, to greater stability and self-assurance in Germany itself. A strong and healthy US-German relationship and a clear, firm commitment by Germany are vital elements of Western security. A combination of economic and social problems, political scandals and the normal fatigue after more than 12 years in power have raised questions as to whether the Schmidt-Genscher government can survive to the end of its term in October 1984. Although we continue to believe that the government will survive, there are new rumors of both discord within the Coalition and the possibility that the Chancellor may once again be thinking of resignation. It is of paramount importance that whatever happens in Germany there be no implication that the United States would prefer to see another government in Bonn or even worse, played a role in promoting political change.

II. <u>ISSUES</u>

1. The NATO and Economic Summits

You will want to stress our commitment to work closely to make both summits a success in demonstrating Allied unity and the political will to stand up to Soviet challenges. Genscher may press for announcement soon of a date for START negotiations. We attach great importance to the START process and our internal preparations are almost completed, but negotiations cannot begin until conditions allow and arms control cannot be isolated from the overall East-West climate.



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Genscher will urge that you agree to an extensive program of bilateral contacts in Bonn and to pay a visit to Berlin. You may wish to avoid commitments at this time, beyond bilateral meetings with President Carstens and Schmidt, and point out that time limits may rule out a trip to Berlin now.

2. The East-West Relationship and Sanctions

The Germans fear, inaccurately, that we don't understand their special interests in East-West matters. We continue to seek a better relationship with the USSR, but events in Poland have made it impossible for us to conduct business as usual, and developments in Afghanistan, Central America and elsewhere have contributed to the problem. Alliance unity and resolve are necessary in the face of these difficulties. Under Secretary of State Buckley will visit Europe shortly to discuss tightening controls on new official export credits and quarantees to the Soviet Union, reducing European imports of Soviet goods, and encouraging limitations on European energy dependence on the Soviet Union. Your meeting is an excellent opportunity to stress the great importance you attach to the Buckley Mission and to the need for Allied agreement on significant restraints on new official credits and official quarantees of private bank credits. Genscher will probably urge that you relax the implementation of your December 30 sanctions to allow FRG companies to fulfill their Siberian pipeline contracts. You may wish to indicate that a decision on this issue will be made after the Buckley Mission.

3. The International Economic Situation

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WASHINGTON

March 8, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Your Meeting with Genscher

Issue

Additional clarification of topics which German Foreign Minister Genscher wishes to raise with you.

Facts

Based on his Sunday evening dinner discussion with him, Al Haig has provided a capsulized summary of the topics Genscher intends to raise during his Tuesday, March 9 meeting in the White House (memo at Tab A).

Discussion

The issues in question hew very closely to the ones prefigured in the briefing materials we have already provided. Among those he considers most important, Genscher will push for a visit to Berlin and will also focus on the matter of interest rates.

Other topics include an invitation to FRG President Carstens; next week's visit of CSU leader Strauss; a possible speech on arms control which Genscher would like you to deliver this spring; and the Buckley mission.

Tab A Haig Memo

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Prepared By: James Rentschler





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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK W

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher

(Tuesday, March 9 - 3 p.m.)

Issue

To see FRG Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and review key issues of concern to both the U.S. and Germany, with particular focus on the "twin summits" this June; and to develop German support for our approach to these issues.

Facts

Genscher's visit here and your exchange with him can play a major role in generating German support for the positions we want to advance in both Versailles (Economic Summit) and Bonn (NATO Summit) later this year. In a very real sense the Federal Republic will be the linch-pin of our dual summit strategy; success in securing German backing for U.S. efforts can go a long way toward bringing our other allies on board, especially in the controversial area of trade and economic policy where - despite some progress in forging Western unity - much more needs to be done to coordinate, Alliance-wide, a coherent East-West framework. This process must be seen, however, against a backdrop of growing German political fragility, in which Schmidt and Genscher, his coalition partner, confront significant internal opposition on both foreign and domestic policy issues.

Discussion

Al Haig's memo (Tab A) identifies the main areas where it will be useful to put forward our views and enlist Genscher's cooperation (or at least as much of it as the traffic will bear). I concur with the tack Al recommends but favor giving El Salvador and the situation in Central America a higher priority in your discussion than indicated in the attached material. Our European friends must understand the depth of our feeling on this issue and our determination to counter subversion in an area of vital security relevance to the United States. Hearing about this directly from you will ensure that Genscher goes back to Bonn with a clear message for Schmidt.

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Prepared By: James Rentschler

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Your meeting with the German Foreign Minister will also provide a timely opportunity to underscore the seriousness of our response to the Polish situation and our view that a "business as usual" approach is the surest way to transform an Eastern crisis into a crisis for the West. Genscher should, in other words, leave the Oval Office with the impression that we intend to work hard for success in both the Versailles and Bonn summits but that we oppose buying a bland and non-credible consensus at the expense of firm principle.

I believe that it will also be highly useful at the outset of your meeting to permit a full photo opportunity; this will strengthen, on both sides of the Atlantic, public perceptions of your commitment to Allied consultations.

Tab A Briefing Material

cc: The Vice President
Edwin Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver







THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

March 5, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

SUBJECT: Visit of Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Vice

Chancellor and Foreign Minister of the Federal

Republic of Germany, March 7-9, 1982

I. THE SETTING

The Genscher visit comes at a time of growing strains both in the US-German relationship and within the political system and social fabric of the Federal Republic itself. These two processes interact, and in recent months this interaction has generally been in a negative direction. Misunderstandings in the bilateral relationship have resulted in problems within the German government and the weakness of that government has made for problems bilaterally. Our key objective is to maintain the greatest possible degree of harmony in our bilateral relationship and, thereby, contribute, to the extent we can, to greater stability and self-assurance in Germany itself. A strong and healthy US-German relationship and a clear, firm commitment by Germany are vital elements of Western security. A combination of economic and social problems, political scandals and the normal fatigue after more than 12 years in power have raised questions as to whether the Schmidt-Genscher government can survive to the end of its term in October 1984. Although we continue to believe that the government will survive, there are new rumors of both discord within the Coalition and the possibility that the Chancellor may once again be thinking of resignation. It is of paramount importance that whatever happens in Germany there be no implication that the United States would prefer to see another government in Bonn or even worse, played a role in promoting political change.

II. ISSUES

1. The NATO and Economic Summits

You will want to stress our commitment to work closely to make both summits a success in demonstrating Allied unity and the political will to stand up to Soviet challenges. Genscher may press for announcement soon of a date for START negotiations. We attach great importance to the START process and our internal preparations are almost completed, but negotiations cannot begin until conditions allow and arms control cannot be isolated from the overall East-West climate.



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Genscher will urge that you agree to an extensive program of bilateral contacts in Bonn and to pay a visit to Berlin. You may wish to avoid commitments at this time, beyond bilateral meetings with President Carstens and Schmidt, and point out that time limits may rule out a trip to Berlin now.

2. The East-West Relationship and Sanctions

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT: President's Meeting with Genscher

Your memo to the President (Tab I) transmits the just-received rundown of issues which, based on Secretary Haig's dinner conversation with him last night, German Foreign Minister Genscher intends to raise during tomorrow's meeting. This material can be reviewed during the pre-meeting briefing session tomorrow afternoon.

RECOMMENDATION:

YES NO

That you sign the memo to the President at Tab I

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CHARLES P. TYSON

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JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT:

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(Tuesday, March 9 - 3:00 p.m.)

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RECOMMENDATION:

OK NO

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Meeting with Foreign Minister Genscher

of the Federal Republic of Germany

Tuesday, March 9, 3:00 p.m. Cabinet Room

Attached at Tab A is list of participants, which has been coordinated with and approved by State, for the President's meeting with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher on Tuesday, March 9, at 3:00 p.m., in the Cabinet Room.

cc: James Rentschler

Attachment:

Tab A: List of Participants

MEETING WITH FRG FOREIGN MINISTER HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER

Tuesday, March 9, 3:00 p.m. -- Cabinet Room

US: The President

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Secretary Haig Edwin Meese

James Baker

Michael K. Deaver William P. Clark

Deputy Secretary Walter Stoessel

Under Secretary Lawrence Eagleburger
Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Niles

James Rentschler, NSC Senior Staff Member

FRG: Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher

Ambassador Peter Hermes

Dr. Franz Pfeffer, Under Secretary for Political Affairs

Dr. Harold von Braunmuehl, Special Assistant to the

Minister

Mr. Rheinhald Schenk, Director US-German Affairs,

Foreign Office

Mr. Franz Weber, Interpreter

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TO: MR. McFARLANE

SUBJ: Genscher Visit

Bud, given the very late arrival of the Secretary's scope memo (due here Thursday noon, it did not arrive until late Sat. morning, despite unremitting pressure on S/S from our own secretariat), you may want to consider da-coming this package out today; the Judge, and possibly the P himself, could have a crack at it on the plane ride back from the Coast.

Jim Rentschler

Talking Points (continued)

- -- Central America is an area of vital U.S. strategic interest; Europe, in general, FRG in particular, should support our efforts there.
- -- We dislike high interest rates as much as anyone and reject the notion that U.S. policies are largely responsible for them.
- -- Be prepared for strong Genscher pitch on behalf of a June Berlin stop.

- Talking Points for March 9 Meeting with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher
- The United States will work hard to ensure success of economic and NATO Summits, especially latter (need German support for outcome that credibly demonstrates firm Western resolve and unity).
- -- U.S. cannot accept "business as usual" approach in Polish crisis (stress importance of Buckley mission).

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

THROUGH:

CHARLES P. TYSON

FROM:

JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT:

Request to Meet with You from Genscher

The German Embassy tells me that FRG Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher would like to meet separately with you next Tuesday morning, March 9 and has requested that I relay that desire. Genscher's main topic would be the NATO Summit in Bonn and the status of both countries' preparations for that event.

Since in all probability you would be attending the President's meeting with Genscher that afternoon, there is some question about the usefulness of seeing the German Foreign Minister separately. On balance - and provided your schedule permits - I believe it would be worthwhile. Genscher could well have some insights and background to share that you might want to pass on to the President prior to his afternoon meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

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That you meet briefly with Genscher on the morning of Tuesday, March 9 if you can fit him in

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WILLIAM P. CLARK

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SUBJ:

APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

PLEASE IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING AND NOTIFY AND CLEAR ALL PARTICIPANTS. THE BRIEFING PAPER AND REMARKS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO RICHARD DARMAN BY 3 P.M. OF THE PRECEDING DAY.

MEETING:

Briefing for Meeting with For. Min. Genscher $2:30-30\,\,\mathrm{min}$

Meeting with German For. Min. Genscher

 $3:00 - 30 \min$

DATE:

March 9, 1982

TIME:

DURATION:

LOCATION: Oval Office

REMARKS REQUIRED: To be covered in briefing paper

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February 25, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR L. PAUL BREMER III

Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT:

Genscher Meeting With The President

This is to confirm that the President has agreed to meet with FRG Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher on Tuesday, March 9 at 3 p.m. (for approximately a half-hour). The NSC will appreciate receiving appropriate briefing material and talking points for this meeting by no later than COB Thursday, March 4. Thank you for your assistance.

Michael O. Wheeler Staff Secretary

Michael O. Wheeler

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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February 24, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL O. WHEELER

FROM:

JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT:

Confirmation of Genscher Meeting with the President

Your memo to Bremer (Tab I) confirms that the President will meet with FRG Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher on Tuesday, March 9 at 3 p.m. for a half-hour and requests appropriate briefing materials.

Chuck Tyson Concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memo to Bremer at Tab I.

Approve ___ As Amended____

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cc: Dennis Blair

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2. USING TALKING POINTS PARAGRAPH 3, DEPARTMENT JANUARY 30 PASSED, THROUGH BRITISH, FRENCH, FRG, AND ITALIAN EMBASSIES, INVITATION TO MEETING OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DIRECTORS AT AMERICAN EMBASSY LONDON BEGINNING 10:00 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2. REQUEST EMBASSIES BONN, LONDON, PARIS, AND ROME FOLLOW UP INVITATIONS AND CONFIRM ACCEPTANCES.

MESSAGE (CONTINUED):

- 3. TALKING POINTS FOLLOW:
- -- YOU HAVE RECEIVED MRS. THATCHER'S SUGGESTION THAT KEY ALLIES MEET AT-A SENIOR LEVEL IN ORDER TO AGREE ON HOW TO INTERPRET THE NATO-MINISTERIAL PLEDGE NOT TO UNDERMINE EACH OTHER'S MEASURES AGAINST POLAND AND THE USSR AND TO CONSULT FURTHER ABOUT MEASURES WHICH WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TAKING AGAINST THE USSR.
- -- WE SHARE THE BRITISH CONCERN AND WISH TO PROPOSE A MEETING OF THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DIRECTORS OF FRANCE, THE FRG. ITALY, THE UK AND THE U.S. IN THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN LONDON ON TUESDAY. FEBRUARY 2, 1982.
- -- WE SUGGEST THAT THE MEETING BEGIN WITH A DISCUSSION OF

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ECONOMIC MATTERS. WE BELIEVE THAT INTERPRETATION OF THE PLEDGE NOT TO UNDERCUT CANNOT BE SEPARATED FROM IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PORTIONS OF THE NATO DECLARATION RELATING TO ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL MEASURES AGAINST POLAND AND THE USSR.

-- IN ADDITION, WE THINK THAT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER THE WESTERN RESPONSE TO GENUINE POLISH FULFILLMENT OF OUR THREE CONDITIONS.

-- AFTER DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC MEASURES AND THE INTERPRETATION OF UNDERCUTTING. WE SUGGEST THAT THE DIRECTORS FOCUS THEIR ATTENTION ON A COURSE OF ACTION FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THE MADRID CSCE REVIEW CONFERENCE.

-- BY ACHIEVING GREATER UNDERSTANDING ON THESE KEY ISSUES, THE FIVE WOULD BE IN A POSITION TO ACT AS A STEERING GROUP AT THE MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 3. WE BELIEVE IT ESSENTIAL THAT THE NAC MOVE THE ALLIANCE INTO A FIRMER AND MORE UNIFIED POSITION WITH REGARD TO THE SITUATION IN POLAND.

-- WE SUGGEST THAT THE MEETING OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DIRECTORS BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE AMERICAN EMBASSY CHANCERY IN GROSVENOR SQUARE, LONDON. A BUFFET LUNCH WOULD BE OFFERED AT 1:00 P.M., AND WE WOULD HOPE TO CONCLUDE THE MEETING BY 4:00 P.M. WE WILL PLAN FOR DELEGATIONS OF THREE: THE POLITICAL DIRECTOR, THE

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MESSAGE (CONTINUED):

ECONOMIC DIRECTOR, AND A NOTETAKER.

-- I HOPE THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING SOONEST.

END TALKING POINTS.

- 4. U.S. WILL BE REPRESENTED AT MEETING BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROBERT HORMATS, ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY H. ALLEN HOLMES, AND FSO GEORGE WARD (NOTETAKER).
- 5. ITINERARIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:
- A. HORMATS
- FEB. 2 7: 10 A.M. ARRIVE LONDON TWA 752 6: 45 P.M. - LEAVE LONDON - SN 610 8: 40 P.M. - ARRIVE BRUSSELS
- FEB. 4 5: 55 P.M. LEAVE BRUSSELS SN 777 FOR COPENHAGEN
- B. HOLMES
- FEB. 2 7: 10 A.M. ARRIVE LONDON TWA 752 6: 45 P.M. - LEAVE LONDON - SN 610 8: 40 P.M. - ARRIVE BRUSSELS
- FEB. 4 8: 45 A. M. LEAVE BRUSSELS BA 373 8: 45 A. M. - ARRIVE LONDON 11: 30 A. M. - LEAVE LONDON - TWA 751 5: 25 P. M. - ARRIVE WASHINGTON
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- FEB. 2 7:10 A.M. ARRIVE LONDON TWA 752

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FEB. 3 11:30 A.M. - LEAVE LONDON - TWA 751 5:25 P.M. - ARRIVE WASHINGTON

6. FOR LONDON: REQUEST YOU ARRANGE FOR MEETING AND

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LUNCHEON (15 PEOPLE TOTAL), MEET PARTY ON ARRIVAL, AND RESERVE HOTEL ROOM NIGHT FEBRUARY 2 FOR WARD.

7. FOR USNATO/BRUSSELS: REQUEST HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS NIGHTS FEBRUARY 2 AND 3 FOR HORMATS AND HOLMES. HAIG

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WC:

Shall I call Flo (Meese's ofc) re attached talking points -- I could ask if meeting is on or off and send the memo forward if necessary.

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

THROUGH:

CHARLES P. TYSON

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JAMES M. RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT:

Ed Meese's Meeting with FRG Economics

Minister Lambsdorff

(Wednesday, February 24 - 3:30 p.m.)

Your memo to Ed Meese (Tab I) provides talking points and background, similar to that prepared for the Vice President, which he can use during his meeting later this week with German Economics Minister Otto Lambsdorff.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memo to Ed Meese at Tab I.

Approve As Amended

Tab I Ed Meese

A - Background Material





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MEMORANDUM FOR EDWIN MEESE III

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Your Meeting with FRG Economics Minister Lambsdorff

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(Wednesday, February 24 - 3:30 p.m.)

Attached for your use during the meeting you will have with German Economics Minister count Otto Lambsdorff - whom you will be seeing directly preceding his time with the Vice President - are appropriate talking points and background which cover all key elements of the U.S.-German bilateral relationship, focusing primarily on the economic aspects.

Though Lambsdorff is on record as sharing U.S. views on the threat posed by the Soviet Union (he has stated that he agrees fully with Secretary Weinberger's various public remarks on the subject), he remains one of the more vocal European critics of high U.S. interest rates. In addition, therefore, to the other points you will touch on, you may wish to use the occasion of Lambsdorff's visit to underscore our view that sustained public criticism of the U.S on this issue is not helpful to our bilateral relations, particularly in an area as complex and evolving as international economics.

You might also assure Lambsdorff that the President eagerly looks forward to his European trip this June and anticipates good discussions with Chancellor Schmidt in both Versailles and Bonn. You can add that Mike Deaver had highly useful exchanges in Bonn last week with a variety of German officials (notably Foreign Minister Genscher and Chancellery Secretary Lahnstein) in preparation for the June visit.

Tab A Background Material

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Visit of Count Otto Lambsdorff
FRG Economics Minister
Wednesday, February 24

I. SETTING AND OBJECTIVES

FRG Economics Minister Count Otto Lambsdorff will visit the United States for his annual round of consultations with U.S. policy makers. Uppermost on Lambsdorff's mind will be U.S. policy toward Poland and the Soviet Union following the imposition of martial law. In his meeting with Ambassador Arthur Burns before leaving for the United States, Lambsdorff explained that he hoped his trip would clarify some of the areas of misunderstanding between the FRG and the U.S. Of particular importance to Lambsdorff is how U.S. sanctions will affect the German firms with contracts signed before the imposition of more sanctions. Lambsdorff raised the possibility that U.S. actions will bring into doubt the reliability of international contracts with U.S. firms.

Count Lambsdorff's personal position as a leading member of the FDP has been weakened in recent months by a combination of internal squabbling over economic policies and political scandals centering on election campaign contributions. As economic indicators continued to decline, the Bonn coalition and Lambsdorff personally were forced to change position on the question of a jobs creation program. Debate over this change of policy led to further strains in an already weakened coalition and highlighted the difference between Lambsdorff and other coalition leaders on economic policy. Lambsdorff is personally under a cloud of investigation over FDP political contributions which he personally handled. While results of the investigation may not be known for some time, continuing discussion of the issue will weaken Lambsdorff's overall authority.

Objectives of your meeting are:

- Seek an understanding by the FRG for the necessity of our consistent pursuit of the President's economic program.
- 2. Urge Lambsdorff to support continued allied measures in the Polish situation including suspension of business as usual with the Soviet Union.



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- 3. Stress the gravity of the problems in the world trading system and elicit FRG support to prevent a slide toward protectionism.
- 4. Underscore the close cooperation and consultations between the U.S. and FRG on issues of bilateral interest.

II. ISSUES

1. The President's Economic Recovery Program.

Although the FRG economic downturn is expected to bottom out by summer of this year, the depths of the German recession are the lowest in the post-war period. Given the weak D-Mark and the FRG's strong international competitive position, exports from the FRG are rising and pulling the economy forward. Unemployment, however, has reached nearly two million and has resulted in the recent enactment in Germany of a jobs program, coupled with an increase in the value added tax, which the Germans hope will deal with this politically sensitive issue. The FRG fears that the export-led recovery cannot succeed in pulling the German economy out of its recession if international interest rates continue at historically record levels. Lambsdorff is expected to raise the issue of large U.S. government deficits and seek to influence our policies to continue the fight against inflation, reduce interest rates and thereby halt the increase in the value of the dollar.

Talking Points

- -- The recent rise in U.S. interest rates is a temporary phenomena.
- -- High interest rates are not a U.S. policy tool. All signs are that the inflationary expectations in the U.S. are declining and we expect this decline to continue.
- -- We expect the U.S. economic recovery to begin this summer with the resultant positive effect on the European economies.

2. U.S. Sanctions and Allied Support

Although Count Lambsdorff is considered one of the more conservative members of the German government, he has opposed U.S. economic sanctions against the Soviets for the military







crackdown in Poland and has publicly supported the completion of signed contracts for the Siberian Natural Gas Pipeline Project. Lambsdorff does not believe sanctions are effective and that they do not last in the face of competition among Western firms for orders. He has suggested and supported tightening of export controls through COCOM as the most productive measure the West can take.

Lambsdorff is likely to note that the FRG has taken a number of steps which support U.S. sanctions. The FRG has suspended negotiations with the Soviets on scientific and technology agreements, postponed scheduled meetings of bankers, interrupted shipping agreement talks, and postponed subcommittee meetings under the FRG-Soviet mixed commission. They have also restricted Soviet official personnel travel, FRG high level visits to the Soviet Union, rejected opening of a third Soviet Consulate in the FRG, restricted FRG attendance at official functions, and pledged not to undermine measures taken by others.

Talking Points

- -- We welcome the FRG measures which parallel U.S. actions.
- -- We hope the FRG will not extend new credits to the Soviet Union and will support other measures which do not undermine U.S. sanctions.
- -- We oppose the Soviet Siberian Natural Gas Pipeline Project and urge the FRG to pursue energy security through alternatives to the pipeline.

3. World Trade and Rising Protectionism

The strains on the world trading system are more serious today than they have been for 30 years. Our own trade deficit with Japan (\$18 billion last year) continues to grow. We, like the Europeans, face severe limits on access to the Japanese market. The sale of subsidized EC agricultural products is limiting market opportunities for U.S. farmers. The anti-dumping/countervailing duty cases filed by the U.S. steel industry could affect up to \$2 billion in EC exports. Domestic economic difficulties on both sides of the Atlantic increase the pressures for protectionism. The strong support in Congress for "reciprocity legislation", which could strengthen





our ability to retaliate against trade barriers not removed through negotiations, are symptomatic of the growing frustration in the U.S. over trade issues. The FRG has been and continues to be our major supporter on maintaining the free international trading system and we should urge continuation of that support.

Talking Points

- -- The danger of serious trade friction and a move toward protectionism is more serious than it has been for many years.
- -- Problems like those with Japan, steel and agriculture, are particularly difficult to manage in the present state of the world economy.
- -- "Reciprocity" legislation, which is gaining support in the Congress is symptomatic of the growing frustration in the U.S. over our inability to resolve trade problems.
- -- We need to work together to sustain the open, multilateral system which is essential to our economic well being.

4. U.S.-FRG Relations

The FRG, our most important NATO ally, has been under extreme pressure for perceived lack of support for U.S. policies. Most notable, in recent discussions, have been the FRG response to the declaration of martial law in Poland, disagreements over the completion of the Siberian Natural Gas Pipeline Project, and increased defense spending to meet NATO commitments. The recent German announcement of sanctions against the Soviet Union, coupled with the results of Chancellor Schmidt's visit in January, have contributed to the restoration of the image of Germany as firmly anchored in the Western Alliance. We need to support these measures and encourage similar demonstrations of closeness between the U.S. and the FRG in the future. The Siberian Natural Gas Pipeline Project has been an issue which demonstrates the FRG's continued interest in relations with the East, a relationship which for the Germans has resulted in improvements in personal family relations between East and West Germany, an extremely sensitive domestic political issue in the FRG. In 1981 despite our concerns that the FRG would not live up to its NATO commitment for a real increase in defense spending of 3%, the FRG, through supplemental appropriations, attained a 3.4% real increase in their defense budget.



We are also concerned that successor generations on both sides of the Atlantic learn more about each other and the basic values which we share and can build a stable and strong relationship in the future.

Talking Points

- -- The U.S.-FRG relationship is basically sound.
- -- More efforts should be made to consult closely to avoid the appearance of divergence on major issues such as the Siberian Natural Gas Pipeline Project and defense spending.
- -- Both our governments have named coordinators for German-American relations and we view this as a step toward solidifying our bilateral relationship in the long term.



SCHEDULE FOR VISIT OF

GRAF OTTO LAMBSDORFF

ECONOMICS MINISTER, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

February 23-26, 1982

Tuesday, February 23, 1982

12:00	noon	Lunch at American Enterprise Institute
2:00	p.m.	Meeting with Representative Sam Gibbons
3:15	p.m.	Meeting with Deputy Secretary Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.
4:00	p.m.	Meeting with Secretary Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
5:00	p.m.	Meeting with Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker

Wednesday, February 24, 1982

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	Breakfast with Federal Reserve Bank Member Henry C. Wallich
9:00 a.m.	Meeting with Department of Energy Secretary James Edwards
10:00 a.m.	Meeting with U.S. Trade Representative William Brock
ll:00 a.m.	Meeting with World Bank President A. W. Klausen
12:00 noon	Lunch with Department of Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige
2:30 p.m.	Meeting with Treasury Secretary Donald Regan
3:30 p.m.	Meeting with Murray Weidenbaum, Council of Economic Advisors
4:30 p.m.	Meeting with Edwin Meese, Presidential Counselor
5:00 p.m.	Meeting with Vice President Bush
5:45 p.m.	Meeting with Congressman Dan Rostenkowski



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Thursday, February 25, 1982

9:30	a.m.	Meeting with Senator James A. McClure
11:00	a.m.	Meeting with Mr. Zbigniew Brzezinski
12:00	noon	Lunch at National Press Club
2:00	p.m.	Meeting with Senator William V. Roth, Jr.
3:00	p.m.	Meeting with Senator John Heinz
4:15	p.m.	Meeting with Senator John C. Danforth
5:00	p.m.	Meeting with Senator Charles H. Percy
5:45	p.m.	Meeting with Senator Edwin Jacob Garn
		Dinner hosted by Ambassador Hermes

Friday February 26, 1982

	Breakfast with American Journalists
10:00 a.m.	Interview with James Reston, New York Times
11:00 a.m.	Roundtable discussion with working level U.S. government representatives at Ambassador Hermes' Residence
12:00 noon	Press briefing with FRG journalists
1:15 p.m.	Lunch hosted by Mr. de la Rosier, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund





LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Meeting with Vice President Bush,
at the West Wing Office of the White House,
Wednesday, February 24, 1982 at 4:00 p.m.

German Participants

Economics Minister Lambsdorff Ambassador Hermes Helga Steeg

American Participants

Vice President Bush Deputy Assistant Secretary Niles



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