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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 11, 1981

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cc: Rentschler

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FROM: PHYLLIS KAMINSKY

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SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 9-10 _____

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memorandum

DATE: April 22, 1981

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: USICA - PGM/TPC: Stephen W. Wordell

SUBJECT: RAI NATO Project #2

TO: DOD - Major Frank LePore

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Rome sometime in June '81
S.W. 4/28*

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Rome 29020 - Confidential
State 098311 Secret
Memo from Sheehan to Deputy Director of ICA's meetings 4/9/81
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HOME TELEPHONE
(703) 356-8342

STEPHEN W. WORDELL

PRODUCER - DIRECTOR
TELEVISION AND FILM SERVICE

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May 20 - 21 Orlando, Florida Martin Marietta (Pershing II) and if logistically possible interview with Col. William J. Fiorentino (U.S. Army "Redstone Arsenal Project Manager) in Orlando

May 22 SAC Headquarters Omaha, Nebraska Interview with General Ellis or his designee on need for the new bomber and upgrading of SAC and comments on themes (item #5)

May 23 - 25 Los Angeles and San Diego (U.S. Naval Base)

May 26 - 27 Edwards AFB B-1 Bomber and F-111 and if available B-52 with cruise missile mounted

May 28 - 30 Boeing Aerospace Kent, Washington. Filming at cruise missile plant

May 31 - Anchorage and Kotzebue Alaska. Emphasis upon early warning system (old and new) and base operations at Elmendorf AFB.

June 3 Shooting days June 1 and 2.

June 3 - 7 Honolulu, Hawaii. CINCPAC operations, AWACS, submarine briefing by U.S.N. spokesman on role of Polaris and new Trident class subs in the '80's and relevance of project Hydra to MX question. Interview with Adm. Robert Long CINCPAC, and training shots

U.S. Marines at Camp Smith. Possible flight operations at Hickham AFB. ADM. Long interview would cover need for upgrading of U.S. Naval Forces on regional and global basis and where these priorities would be placed - ships, planes, manpower, spare parts etc.

June 8 - 9 Possible Washington interviews if needed depending upon success of May 13-17 schedule

Crew would consist of ICA representative/producer Stephen Wordell, RAI correspondent G. Lugato and at least one perhaps two film technicians.

Please contact Steve Wordell at ICA (202) 376-7225 for clarification on this request. Time is of the essence since June 20 air-date is planned.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Wordell
TV Project Officer
Television and
Film Service

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April 9, 1981

MEMORANDUM TO: PGM/TD - John H. DeViney ⁴
FROM: PGM/T - Donald F. Sheehan ^{KS}
SUBJECT: Deputy Director's Meeting, April 9, 1981

Against a background of mixed Western European press reaction to Secretary Weinburger's presentation of the U.S. position at the NATO Defence Ministers' meeting in Bonn, Mr. Shirley requested PGM look into steps the Agency might take to support the Administration's decision to significantly increase U.S. defence spending over the next five years, and to encourage our NATO allies to do likewise (cf. attached materials). We should, he said, emphasize that U.S. rearmament is going forward as a consequence of the unprecedented Soviet military build-up in Europe and elsewhere over the last decade -- a build-up completely disproportionate to the USSR's legitimate defence requirements. Persuading the Europeans that "the USSR has really rearmed," that there is "excellent reason" for the alarm expressed by Sec. Weinburger, should be USICA's "number one task", now, and for some time to come. Among possible measures he suggested were: a request from the Director-designate to Secretary Weinburger for a detailed policy speech for use as a policy and statistical guideline; specially-commissioned high-level articles for the Wireless File; a high-level defence-specialist briefing team to visit concerned countries; special articles or issues of USICA magazines; VOA commentaries, etc. He emphasized that this should not be a "one-shot" effort, but a continuing, planned, sustained one. Recalling a PGM/T co-op film, with RAI, on NATO defence measures made in the fall of 1979, which he described as "very helpful" at a time of hard decision-making for the Italian government, he suggested that "I" might (a) make a special production on the subject, possibly in close, resumed cooperation with DOQ, and (b) encourage co-ops thereon. ||

Both Mr. Shirley and Mr. Robinson underlined that this long-term project should be seen as an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the Agency's capabilities in support of Administration foreign-policy goals. Mr. Shirley requested that attendees at the meeting be prepared to discuss possible programs to support this theme at the Monday, April 13, meeting.

Request: That PGM/TD develop program suggestions on the subject by COB Friday, for presentation at the Monday 09:5 meeting.

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TO ALLEN

FROM KAMINSKY

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KAMINSKY

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KEYWORDS: MEDIA

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPT BY ICA TELEVISION & FILM SERVICE FOR INTERVIEW

W/ ALLEN BY RAI - TV ROME 13 - 17 MAY 1981

ACTION: FOR DECISION

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DISPATCH

W/ATTCH FILE (C)

Phyllis -



It looks as though
Italy is anticipating
problems on TNE.

Could Richard Allen
help us out again on
this public affairs effort?

We've requested
Sec. Haig's participation but
are not confident that
he will agree to
be interviewed on May
14 and 15, or June 8 or 9.

We'd like approx. 10 to
15 minutes if workable from
your end.

Best wishes
Steve Wodell

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

PK,

3 p.m.

Steve Wordell called: He says"

If it's not possible to do the thing with Dick Allen on 9th or 10th, how about the 8th of June, or even possibly the 4th or 5th of June (although Mr. Lagotta may not be back by then). However, if this is the only time Dick could do it, he could try to make arrangements. Also, Sec. Haig has tentatively agreed on the 9th. Lagotto would ask different questions so that there wouldn't be a conflict between State answers and WH answers. Please call his office (Wordell's) 376-7225 and leave a message on this subject. He was calling from an airport and would be out of town for a couple of days."

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JANET COLSON	<u>JA</u>	12/1328
BUD NANCE	<u>JS</u>	12/1340
DICK ALLEN	<u>MA</u>	12/1904
IRENE DERUS	<u>Ljd</u>	12/1912
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May 20 - 21	Orlando, Florida Martin Marietta (Pershing II) and if logistically possible interview with Col. William J. Fiorentino (U.S. Army "Redstone Arsenal Project Manager) in Orlando
May 22	SAC Headquarters Omaha, Nebraska Interview with General Ellis or his designee on need for the new bomber and upgrading of SAC and comments on themes (item #5)
May 23 - 25	Los Angeles and San Diego (U.S. Naval Base)
May 26 - 27	Edwards AFB B-1 Bomber and F-111 and if available B-52 with cruise missile mounted
May 28 - 30	Boeing Aerospace Kent, Washington. Filming at cruise missile plant
May 31 - June 3	Anchorage and Kotzebue Alaska. Emphasis upon early warning system (old and new) and base operations at Elmendorf AFB. Shooting days June 1 and 2.
June 3 - 7	Honolulu, Hawaii. CINCPAC operations, AWACS, submarine briefing by U.S.N. spokesman on role of Polaris and new Trident class subs in the '80's and relevance of project Hydra to MX question. Interview with Adm. Robert Long CINCPAC, and training shots

U.S. Marines at Camp Smith. Possible flight operations at Hickham AFB. ADM. Long interview would cover need for upgrading of U.S. Naval Forces on regional and global basis and where these priorities would be placed - ships, planes, manpower, spare parts etc.

June 8 - 9 Possible Washington interviews if needed depending upon success of May 13-17 schedule

Crew would consist of ICA representative/producer Stephen Wordell, RAI correspondent G. Lugato and at least one perhaps two film technicians.

Please contact Steve Wordell at ICA (202) 376-7225 for clarification on this request. Time is of the essence since June 20 air-date is planned.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Wordell
TV Project Officer
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April 9, 1981

MEMORANDUM TO: PGM/TD - John H. DeViney ⁴

FROM: PGM/T - Donald F. Sheehan ^{KS}

SUBJECT: Deputy Director's Meeting, April 9, 1981

Against a background of mixed Western European press reaction to Secretary Weinburger's presentation of the U.S. position at the NATO Defence Ministers' meeting in Bonn, Mr. Shirley requested PGM look into steps the Agency might take to support the Administration's decision to significantly increase U.S. defence spending over the next five years, and to encourage our NATO allies to do likewise (cf. attached materials). We should, he said, emphasize that U.S. rearmament is going forward as a consequence of the unprecedented Soviet military build-up in Europe and elsewhere over the last decade -- a build-up completely disproportionate to the USSR's legitimate defence requirements. Persuading the Europeans that "the USSR has really rearmed," that there is "excellent reason" for the alarm expressed by Sec. Weinburger, should be USICA's "number one task", now, and for some time to come. Among possible measures he suggested were: a request from the Director-designate to Secretary Weinburger for a detailed policy speech for use as a policy and statistical guideline; specially-commissioned high-level articles for the Wireless File; a high-level defence-specialist briefing team to visit concerned countries; special articles or issues of USICA magazines; VOA commentaries, etc. He emphasized that this should not be a "one-shot" effort, but a continuing, planned, sustained one. Recalling a PGM/T co-op film, with RAI, on NATO defence measures made in the fall of 1979, which he described as "very helpful" at a time of hard decision-making for the Italian government, he suggested that "I" might (a) make a special production on the subject, possibly in close, resumed cooperation with DOD, and (b) encourage co-ops thereon. ||

Both Mr. Shirley and Mr. Robinson underlined that this long-term project should be seen as an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the Agency's capabilities in support of Administration foreign-policy goals. Mr. Shirley requested that attendees at the meeting be prepared to discuss possible programs to support this theme at the Monday, April 13, meeting.

Request: That PGM/TD develop program suggestions on the subject by COB Friday, for presentation at the Monday 09:5 meeting.

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