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Tuesday, September 15 - 1100

Meeting w/RVA, Pipes, et al
re Reagan Foreign Policy

Room 305 -- OEOB

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

~~SECRET~~ Attachment September 10, 1981

TO: *Admiral Nance*

The attached paper will be the subject of discussion for meeting to which you have been invited to held on Tuesday, September 15 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 305, with Richard Allen.

Please hold close.

Richard Pipes

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

September 14, 1981

TO: RUD POATS
FROM: NORMAN BAILEY

Is this in fact our policy?
Who adopted it?

Call Bailey

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

September 11, 1981

TO: ALLEN LENZ
FROM: NORMAN BAILEY

to Norman (Bailey)
Rud is our expert -
Action has been transferred to him
Allen
(Lenz 9/11)

September 14, 1981

Dear Bob:

Your letter of September 10 has been received, and your interest in maintaining a free and unrestricted policy for agricultural trade is appreciated.

I assure you that the Administration fully intends to pursue the best interests of the United States and our farm sector by maximizing agricultural exports to all foreign buyers. Sales of grain and other agricultural products will in no way be singled out for restriction in any trade embargo that may be imposed by this Administration.

In view of our current abundant supplies of corn and wheat, and prospects for record harvests this year, the Administration intends to offer a large additional amount of grain for sale to the Soviet Union when consultations are held September 30, on the one-year extension of the U.S./U.S.S.R. Grains Agreement. These quantities will be in addition to the specified minimum and maximum levels.

I trust that this letter serves to clarify our policy regarding agricultural trade and to express the Administration's wholehearted support for this vital part of the Nation's economy.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ron

The Honorable Robert J. Dole
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

September 11, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN

FROM: ALLEN J. LENZ

SUBJECT: Grain Sales to the Soviet Union

The NSC staff suggests three amendments of the draft letter to Senator Dole circulated with your note to Max Friedersdorf:

In the first paragraph, delete the words "through restrictive policies, and commitments will be honored in accordance with international trading practices" and substitute the following "in any future trade embargo imposed by this Administration."

In the second sentence, delete the words "a minimum of 10 million metric tons" and substitute "a very large amount" and insert after the words "Soviet Union" the phrase "in addition to the 8 million metric tons automatically permitted,".

In the last sentence of the same paragraph, delete the clause "and will carry the same guarantee with respect to sales contracts."

The first and third changes are necessary to be accurate. The deletion of a specific public commitment to a 10 million ton offer is urged by the State Department so as to avoid depriving the Soviets of any anxiety in advance of the Haig-Gromyko meetings.

*Retyped
RVA to Darna
KLM
9-11-81*

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

September 11, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR ~~ALLEN J. LENZ~~ *R.V. Allen*

FROM: RUTHERFORD POATS *RP*

SUBJECT: Grain Sales to the Soviet Union

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum to Richard Darman for your signature.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Memo to Darman
Tab II Dole Ltr to President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUMDATE: 9/10/81 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 9/14/81SUBJECT: GRAIN SALES TO SOVIET UNION

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DEAVER	☐	☐	WILLIAMSON	☐	☐
STOCKMAN	☒	☐	WEIDENBAUM	☐	☐
ALLEN	☒	☐	CANZERI	☐	☐
ANDERSON	☐	☐	FULLER (<i>For Cabinet</i>)	☒	☐
BRADY	☐	☐	HICKEY	☐	☐
DOLE	☐	☐	HODSOLL	☐	☐
FIELDING	☐	☐	MC COY	☐	☐
FRIEDERSDORF	☒	☐	CEQ	☐	☐
GARRICK	☐	☐	OSTP	☐	☐
GERGEN	☐	☐	USTR	☐	☐
HARPER	☐	☐	ROGERS	☐	☐

Remarks:

Max, will you please prepare a response in coordination with other assignees. Senator Dole wished to have his letter and his proposed response brought to the President's attention. I have sent a copy to the President -- but with a note that you were taking the responsibility to prepare and clear an appropriate response.

Could we please have your reaction by Monday, 9/14, when Senator Dole will be calling either Jim Baker or the President on this?

Thank you.

Richard G. Darman
Deputy Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary
(x-2702)

ORIGINAL INCOMING TO
FRIEDERSDORF

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

September 10, 1981

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

There has been considerable question in recent months over the nature and direction of our agricultural trade policy, particularly with regard to grain sales to the Soviet Union. The Secretary of Agriculture has indicated that the Administration may be willing to offer an additional ten million metric tons of wheat and corn when negotiations with the Soviets are resumed at the end of September, but there has yet to be a firm expression of Administration commitment. As a result, farm prices have fallen sharply in the face of record harvest prospects, contributing to the serious economic conditions in our rural sector.

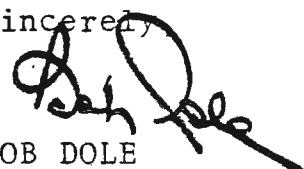
Congress is preparing to consider four-year farm legislation starting next week, including reductions in major commodity support programs requested by Secretary Block. I believe we can meet these reductions more than halfway if signals point to a recovery in farm prices and relief from growing surpluses of agricultural products.

I intend to make a strong statement on behalf of the Administration's farm and agricultural trade policy when the Senate farm bill is introduced early next week. I would like to confirm that the Administration is working to overcome the effects of the recent grain embargo, and that we will again offer surplus quantities of corn, wheat and other farm products for sale to the Soviet Union.

I would, therefore, appreciate your favorable consideration of my proposal to put the Administration on record in support of a free and unrestricted agricultural trade policy.

With best regards,

Sincerely,



BOB DOLE
United States Senate

Dear Bob:

Your letter of September 10 has been received, and your interest in maintaining a free and unrestricted policy for agricultural trade is appreciated.

I assure you that the Administration fully intends to pursue the best interests of the United States and our farm sector by maximizing agricultural exports to all foreign buyers.

Sales of grain and other agricultural products will in no way be singled out ~~through restrictive policies, and commitments~~ *in any future trade embargo imposed by the Admin.* will be honored in accordance with international trading practices.]

In view of our current abundant supplies of corn and wheat, and prospects for record harvests this year, the Administration intends to offer ~~a minimum of ten million metric tons~~ *at least a very large amount* of grain for sale to the Soviet Union when consultations are held, *in addition to the eight million tons automatically permitted* September 30, on the one-year extension of the U.S./U.S.S.R. Grains Agreement. These quantities will be in addition to the specified minimum and maximum levels, [and will carry the same guarantee with respect to sales contracts.]

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Sincerely,

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TO ALLEN

FROM DARMAN, R

DOC DATE 10 SEP 81

DOLE, BOB

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SUBJECT: GRAIN SALES TO THE SOVIET UNION

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Allen	9/15	for signature		
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