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7. memo	Blair to Clark re: letter to Mitterrand, 1p D - - #164	12/7/82	P1/F1
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9. draft letter	Reagan to Mitterrand (annotated), 3p D - - #166	nd	P1/F1
10. draft letter	Reagan to Mitterrand, 2p D - - #166	nd	P1/F1
11. memo	Blair/Fontier to Clark re: letter to Mitterrand, 1p R 5/9/03 F99-077/1 #168	12/1/82	P1/F1
12. memo	Clark to the President re: letter to Mitterrand, 1p R - - #169	nd	P1/F1
13. letter	Reagan to Mitterrand, 2p L - - #170	nd	P1/F1
14. memo	L. Paul Bremer to Clark re: response to Mitterrand, 1p R 7/10/01 NLS F99-077/1 #171	11/29/82	P1/F1

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17. paper	re: Mitterrand's letter, 1p <i>D 5/9/03 F99-077/1 #174</i>	11/20/82	P1/F1
18. letter	Mitterrand to Reagan (translation), 2p	11/20/82	P1/F1
19. letter (8390406)	Mitterrand to Reagan, 1p	3/30/83	P1/F1
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21. letter	Reagan to Mitterrand, 5p <i>R - #178</i>	nd	P1/F1
22. memo	Blair/Robinson/Nau to Clark re: message to Mitterrand, 1p <i>R - #179</i>	3/31/83	P1/F1
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SUMMIT

EAST WEST ECONOMICS

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SUBJECT: MITTERRAND LTR RE EAST WEST ECONOMIC SUMMIT AT WILLIAMSBURG

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<i>Clark</i>	<i>x</i>	<i>12/01</i>	<i>Fun to Pres for Sig</i>	<i>12/03</i>
	<i>12/9</i>	<i>Clark sfd memo to Shultz</i>		
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MESSAGE DESCRIPTION **Presidential MSG**

TO (AGENCY)	DELIVER TO:	DEPT/ROOM NO.	EXTENSION
STATE	Jerry Bremer III	S/S	J

REMARKS: **EYES ONLY**
REQUEST YOU RETRANSMIT TO SEC SHULTZ,
AND GAMBATH AND DON FORTIER

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Jacque Hill	<u>3</u>	<u>?</u>	
Judge Clark	<u>4</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>A</u>
John Poindexter			
Staff Secretary			
Sit Room			

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Judge,
If you go with the Secretary's
version and accept Dennis'
recommendation, then we'll
need to send a cable to Shultz or
you'll need to call him. John

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FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS
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May 26, 1982


MEMORANDUM FOR: NSC - MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

Subject: Proposed Letter from the President to Mitterrand

Bud:

We agree that a letter from the President to Mitterrand prior to Jim Buckley's May 27 meeting makes sense. However, we have some problems with the draft which you sent over, and I am attaching a redraft for your consideration. Please give me a call if you have any questions.

However, France's concern over having a "successful" and harmonious summit is our best hope, at this point, of securing their support on the credits issue.


Lawrence S. Eagleburger

Attachment:

Draft Presidential Letter
to Mitterrand

** Not now, per me telecon. But, Bud, please take a look at the difference in what we did & the NSC draft. In honesty, friend, the latter would have been a disaster. Tone was*

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By CS, NARA, Date 2/19/01

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Transmit back channel
to EOS where Shultz is.

Deliver Eyes Only to Sec. Shultz
from Judge Clark.

George,

I promised to send you
an advance copy of the
President's response to
Mitterand. We would like
to get the President to approve
this Thursday morning.

Bill

Letter follows:

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Jacque Hill	<u>3</u>	<u>g</u>	
Judge Clark	<u>4</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>A</u>
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Bud McFarlane	<u>1</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>A</u>
Jacque Hill	<u>2</u>	<u>L</u>	_____
Judge Clark	<u>3</u>	<u>✓</u>	_____
John Poindexter	_____	_____	_____
Staff Secretary	_____	_____	_____
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was used*

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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December 1, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

DENNIS BLAIR/DON FORTIER

SUBJECT:

Response to Mitterrand's November 20 Letter
to the President

Attached for your signature is a memo to the President forwarding the reply to President Mitterrand's letter of November 20. The reply was drafted by State. I have done minor editing and written a new second paragraph for the letter to replace the unclear language in State's draft. (S)

RECOMMENDATION

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

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Tab I

Memo to President

A - Letter to Mitterrand

B - Mitterrand letter of Nov. 20

Tab II

State memo forwarding proposed response

Roger Robinson concurs.

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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Response to Mitterrand's November 20 Letter

On November 20, a week after your radio address, President Mitterrand wrote to you concerning the French-U.S. differences on East-West economic relations (Tab B). We interpret his letter as basically conciliatory, although loaded down with standard French positions about national sovereignty. He has also leaked these portions of his letter to the French press, playing to the domestic audience. (S)

*we, too,
enjoy our
sovereignty*

The reply for your signature at Tab A responds in a conciliatory spirit. It urges Mitterrand to join us in the follow-on work called for in the "non-paper," and it maintains our position that the French were a part of the consensus which was worked out here in Washington. (S)

RECOMMENDATIONOKNO

— That you sign the letter at Tab A.

Tab A Letter to Mitterrand

Tab B Mitterrand letter of November 20

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Prepared by: Dennis Blair

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Francois:

Thank you for your letter of November 20. I share your desire to put behind us whatever misunderstanding may have arisen over East-West economic issues.

Our basic community of interests on these issues was evident in the discussions which Secretary Shultz began during the informal NATO Foreign Ministers meeting at La Sapiniere and which continued here in Washington. As you know from our talks in Williamsburg, Ottawa and Versailles, I attach the greatest importance to the achievement among the Western Allies of a consensus on our economic relations with the Soviet Union which will ensure that these relations work to our advantage and avoid giving strategic benefits to the Soviet Union. The discussions here in Washington demonstrated that there was no disagreement in principle among us on these points and I considered it a great success that we worked out a consensus document on these principles and an approach to turning them into policies.

It is unfortunate for the Alliance that this success was marred by a public disagreement between us. We had good reason to believe, after weeks of discussion, that France was satisfied with the conclusions reached by our representatives here in Washington. We worked earnestly to accommodate French concerns -- indeed, to the point of modifying positions to which all of the other partners were ready to agree. During our Washington discussions, your ambassador made it clear that France did not regard the lifting of sanctions as "linked" to the issue of reaching a consensus on the paper our representatives were considering. But I must note that the European Ambassadors indicated that consensus on the Summary of Conclusions was contingent on knowing what we would do about the sanctions. To us, the implication was clear. In any event, I was careful to avoid any suggestion in my public statement that France had agreed to our consensus in return for having the sanctions lifted.

I very much welcome your desire to put any misunderstanding on this issue behind us. It is a desire I wholeheartedly share. In that spirit I look forward to working with you and our other allies to translate the progress our representatives have thus far made into a more harmonious common Western approach. This work should begin immediately so that full advantage can be taken of the opportunity provided by the NATO ministerial meeting. I continue to believe that it would serve all our interests to publish the Summary of Conclusions which our representatives so painstakingly formulated.

I know that different national practices mean that our task will not be easy, and I respect what you have said about France's sovereignty. But I deeply believe, as I know you do, that we have powerful common interests which, combined with good will and intelligent work, will prove that a common approach is not inconsistent with the national responsibilities each of us bears.

I fully share your view of the importance of our mutual participation in a common defensive alliance and am pleased that you will be meeting with Secretary Shultz to advance our common interests when he visits Paris this month. I look forward to our next opportunity to discuss the full range of our mutual concerns. I greatly value our relationship and always welcome your wise counsel.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Francois Mitterrand
President of the French Republic
Paris



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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

November 29, 1982

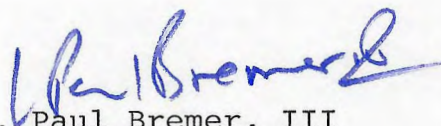
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Response to President Mitterrand's Letter of
November 20

President Mitterrand's letter of November 20 on East-West economic issues is basically positive, although it is burdened with characteristic French verbiage on national sovereignty and independence and is not distinguished by its clarity of presentation. French officials have stressed to us that Mitterrand's letter is conciliatory and urged that we accept it in this spirit. At the same time, however, Mitterrand has made statements to the press in the last few days that belie this supposedly conciliatory effort.

Attached is a draft response to Mitterrand for your consideration which essentially accentuates the positive elements of his letter while explaining our position and making clear that we continue to attach the greatest importance to the prompt development of a coherent, coordinated Western strategy on economic relations with the Soviet Union. The draft response makes no concessions to the French position on any of the issues under discussion but does emphasize our desire to move ahead expeditiously on the follow-up process.


L. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Suggested Letter to
President Mitterrand

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DATE: 24 NOV 82

MEMORANDUM FOR: STATE SECRETARIAT

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: PRESIDENT

SOURCE: MITTERRAND, FRANCOIS

DATE: 20 NOV 82

KEYWORDS: FRANCE

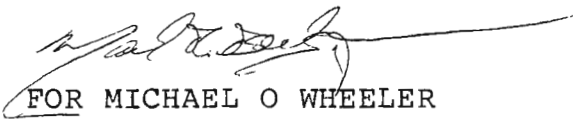
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SUBJ: LTR WRITTEN IN FRENCH FM MITTERRAND

REQUIRED ACTION: FOR TRANSLATION & RECOMS

DUE DATE: 30 NOV 82

COMMENTS:


FOR MICHAEL O WHEELER

STAFF SECRETARY

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*Ambassade de France
aux Etats-Unis*

NOV 24 P 4: 48

L'Ambassadeur

Washington, November 24, 1982

Dear Judge Clark:

You will find herein a letter addressed by
Mr. François Mitterrand, the President of the French Republic,
to President Reagan, and which I was asked to forward to him.

I would be most grateful to you for remitting
this document to its high addressee.

With my warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,



Enc.

Bernard Vernier-Palliez

The Honorable
William P. Clark
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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John Poindexter			
Staff Secretary			
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

November 22, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR ADM. POINDEXTER

FROM: DENNIS BLAIR/DON FORTIER

SUBJECT: President Mitterrand's Letter
to the President

In response to your note, attached is an
analysis of Mitterrand's letter.

Tab A Analysis

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FROM MITTERRAND, FRANCOIS DOCDATE 30 MAR 83

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SUBJECT: ~~DRAFT~~ PRES MSG TO MITTERRAND RE WILLIAMSBURG SUMMIT

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APRIL 8, 1983

DEAR FRANCOIS:

I HAVE FOLLOWED THE BOLD DOMESTIC ECONOMIC MEASURES ANNOUNCED BY YOUR GOVERNMENT WITH INTEREST. THEY ARE A COURAGEOUS EFFORT TO ENSURE A SUSTAINED NON-INFLATIONARY RECOVERY FOR FRANCE, AND I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS AND GOOD FORTUNE IN THIS EFFORT.

AS THE WILLIAMSBURG SUMMIT NEARS, I WANT TO REAFFIRM OUR STRONG MUTUAL DESIRE FOR HARMONIOUS AND CONSTRUCTIVE MEETINGS TO ADDRESS THE CRUCIAL ISSUES OF GLOBAL ECONOMIC GROWTH AND PROSPERITY. IN GENERAL, I AM SATISFIED WITH PROGRESS IN PREPARATION FOR WILLIAMSBURG, AND I AM GRATEFUL FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND SUPPORT.

I HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY YOUR REPRESENTATIVE AT THE RECENT SAN DIEGO MEETING, PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE AGENDA ITEM ON EAST-WEST ECONOMIC RELATIONS. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE UNDERSTAND ONE ANOTHER FULLY ON THIS ISSUE

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AND HAVE A TIMELY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE POSSIBILITY OF IT AGAIN EMERGING AS A CONTENTIOUS PUBLIC ISSUE BETWEEN US. THE ISSUE IS A COMPLEX ONE AND REQUIRES CARE TO FASHION THE BEST WAY TO ADDRESS COMMON CONCERNS WHILE RESPECTING NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTIES. I AM CONFIDENT THIS BALANCE CAN BE ACHIEVED. AS I HAVE OFTEN STATED, OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH FRANCE IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE CAUSE OF WESTERN FREEDOM. OUR OVERRIDING COMMON INTERESTS PROVIDE US WITH THE STRENGTH AND FLEXIBILITY TO OVERCOME ANY DIFFERENCES IN APPROACH. YOUR MOST RECENT COMMUNICATION ON INF HAS ENCOURAGED ME GREATLY AND ILLUSTRATES THE DEPTH OF THESE INTERESTS. MOREOVER, I BELIEVE WE SHARE THE FUNDAMENTAL ASSESSMENT THAT OUR HEAVY DEFENSE BURDENS SHOULD NOT BE MADE MORE DIFFICULT BY OUR ECONOMIC POLICIES TOWARDS THE SOVIET UNION.

IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOUR FUNDAMENTAL CONCERNS ARE THESE: FIRST, THAT IN THE AREA OF EAST-WEST ECONOMIC RELATIONS WE CREATE NO NEW MULTILATERAL BODIES WHICH WILL INFRINGE ON NATIONAL DECISIONS; SECOND, THAT NO NEW MULTILATERAL WESTERN POLICIES ON EAST-WEST TRADE BE ANNOUNCED AT THE WILLIAMSBURG SUMMIT ITSELF. ON THE FIRST POINT, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT WE ARE IN AGREEMENT. THE SECOND POINT SEEMS TO ME TO BE ONE ESSENTIALLY OF PUBLIC PRESENTATION. AS SECRETARY SHULTZ AND FOREIGN MINISTER CHEYSSON AGREED LAST YEAR, WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS TO ACCOMPLISH THE WORK ON THESE QUESTIONS IN THE APPROPRIATE BODIES OF THE OECD, IEA, COCOM AND NATO. THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED IN THESE APPROPRIATE FORA CAN AND SHOULD STAND ON ITS OWN WITHOUT UNDUE PUBLICITY AT THE SUMMIT OR THE APPEARANCE THAT THESE RESULTS HAVE EMERGED FROM THE SUMMIT ITSELF.

MY STRONG HOPE IS THAT THE WORK IN THESE OTHER BODIES WILL PROGRESS SATISFACTORILY BETWEEN NOW AND THE SUMMIT. IF THAT IS THE CASE, I ENVISION THE OUTCOME AND PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF OUR DISCUSSIONS ON THIS SUBJECT AT WILLIAMSBURG TO BE QUITE LIMITED. THE HEADS WOULD ENDORSE AND ENCOURAGE THE CONCRETE PROGRESS AND PRELIMINARY RESULTS ACHIEVED IN THE OTHER INSTITUTIONS AND

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RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANT BENEFIT TO THE WEST OF THIS ON-GOING WORK.

SINCE IT IS CRITICAL THAT THE WORK IN THESE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS BE FAR ENOUGH ALONG THAT WE DO NOT HAVE TO BELABOR THESE ISSUES AT THE SUMMIT, I THOUGHT IT USEFUL TO DESCRIBE FOR YOU WHAT I ANTICIPATE CAN AND WILL BE ACHIEVED IN THE VARIOUS WORK PROGRAMS BY THE TIME OF THE WILLIAMSBURG SUMMIT:

IN COCOM, WE ARE WORKING TOWARD A CONSENSUS ON AN AGREEMENT TO IMPLEMENT IMMEDIATELY CONTROLS ON ITEMS ALREADY AGREED TO DURING THE FIRST ROUND OF THE LIST REVIEW; ON AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO CONTROL OR WATCH SO-CALLED "DISEMBODED TECHNOLOGIES" AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES; ON EARLY AGREEMENT IN THE LIST REVIEW ON THE HIGH-PRIORITY ITEMS OF COMMUNICATIONS SWITCHING EQUIPMENT, COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE AND ROBOTICS; ON SEVERAL TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF BOTH NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT MEASURES AND THE COCOM SECRETARIAT; AND ON AGREEMENT TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON OTHER HIGH TECHNOLOGY ITEMS, INCLUDING OIL AND GAS EQUIPMENT.

IN THE AREA OF ENERGY SECURITY, THE CONCLUSIONS PROPOSED BY ULF LANTZKE OF THE IEA ARE FULLY SATISFACTORY TO US AND SHOULD BE THE BASIS FOR AGREEMENT BY THE IEA AND ENDORSEMENT AT THE OECD MINISTERIAL. THOSE CONCLUSIONS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST INCLUDE AN AGREEMENT TO LIMIT NON-OECD GAS IMPORTS FROM ANY ONE SUPPLIER TO 30 PERCENT OF TOTAL GAS SUPPLIES; ENCOURAGEMENT OF ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT OF MAJOR WESTERN ALTERNATIVES, ESPECIALLY THE TROLL FIELD; AND UNDERTAKING SECURITY MEASURES TO PROTECT AGAINST GAS SUPPLY DISRUPTIONS.

THE STUDY UNDERWAY IN THE NATO ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, ABLY LED BY FRANCE'S REPRESENTATIVE, IS MAKING AVAILABLE VALUABLE NEW INFORMATION ON THE SECURITY DIMENSIONS OF EAST-WEST TRADE TO GUIDE US IN FORMULATING INDEPENDENTLY OUR POLICIES IN THIS AREA IN THE FUTURE. THE NATO MINSITERIAL IN JUNE, WHICH FOLLOWS THE

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WILLIAMSBURG SUMMIT, IS EXPECTED TO DRAW IMPORTANT CONCLUSIONS FROM THIS WORK AND TO STRENGTHEN THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE ITS WORK IN THIS AREA IN THE FUTURE.

I TAKE SOME CARE IN DESCRIBING THESE ANTICIPATED RESULTS BECAUSE I WANT YOU TO KNOW MY THINKING AND TO ASK YOU TO CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THIS WORK IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE EXPEDITIOUS RESULTS. I HAVE NO DESIRE TO ACCORD EAST-WEST ECONOMIC RELATIONS A PROMINENT POSITION IN THE SUMMIT AGENDA OR IN THE PUBLIC DISCUSSION AROUND THE SUMMIT. I AM FAR MORE CONCERNED THAT WE ACHIEVE THE REAL RESULTS BEING DEVELOPED IN THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. IT WOULD BENEFIT ONLY THE SOVIET UNION IF EITHER OF OUR COUNTRIES FELT IT NECESSARY TO HIGHLIGHT DIFFERENCES ON THESE ISSUES IN A PUBLIC WAY. AND THIS CAN ONLY HAPPEN IF WE FAIL TO COMMUNICATE NOW WITH CLARITY AND CANDOR ABOUT OUR EXPECTATIONS FOR THE RESULTS OF CURRENT EFFORTS IN THESE BODIES AND SPECIFIC SUBSTANTIVE CONCERNS ON PROGRESS TO BE ACHIEVED BY THE TIME OF THE SUMMIT.

IF IT IS ALSO YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT BY MID-MAY WE WILL HAVE ACHIEVED THE SPECIFIC RESULTS I HAVE INDICATED, WE COULD AT THAT TIME AGREE UPON THE PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF THIS ISSUE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUMMIT INCLUDING HOW WE HANDLE IT IN THE JOINT PRESS STATEMENT. A PREDETERMINED ACCORD BETWEEN US ON THE PUBLIC HANDLING OF THIS AGENDA ITEM WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY ENSURE THE OVERALL SUCCESS OF THE SUMMIT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS AT A VITAL MOMENT IN THE WORLD'S ECONOMIC DESTINY.

I WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING YOUR VIEWS AND EXPECTATIONS ON THESE ISSUES. I ALSO HOPE THAT WE CAN MEET TOGETHER PERSONALLY PRIOR TO THE SUMMIT AND WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU SHORTLY ABOUT POSSIBLE TIME AND PLACE. I AM DETERMINED TO USE EVERY OPPORTUNITY AND RESOURCE AT MY DISPOSAL TO EXERCISE STRONG MUTUAL LEADERSHIP WITH YOU AND OUR OTHER SUMMIT PARTNERS TO ACHIEVE A UNIFIED SUMMIT THAT MARKS QUIET PROGRESS ON SECURITY-RELATED ECONOMIC ISSUES AND RALLIES PUBLIC CONFIDENCE ON THE CRUCIAL ISSUES OF ECONOMIC GROWTH AND EMPLOYMENT FOR OUR FREE SOCIETIES.

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As the Williamsburg Summit nears, I want to reaffirm our strong mutual desire for harmonious and constructive meetings to address the crucial issues of global economic growth and prosperity. In general, I am satisfied with progress in preparation for Williamsburg, and I am grateful for your cooperation and support.

I have been informed of the concerns expressed by your representative at the recent San Diego meeting, particularly regarding the agenda item on East-West economic relations. It is important that we understand one another fully on this issue and have a timely exchange of views in order to avoid the possibility of it again emerging as a contentious public issue between us. The issue is a complex one and requires care to fashion the best way to address common concerns while respecting national sovereignties. I am confident this balance can be achieved. As I have often stated, our relationship with France is of vital importance to the United States and the cause of Western freedom. Our overriding common interests provide us

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with the strength and flexibility to overcome any differences in approach. Your most recent communication on INF has encouraged me greatly and illustrates the depth of these interests. Moreover, I believe we share the fundamental assessment that our heavy defense burdens should not be made more difficult by our economic policies towards the Soviet Union.

It is my understanding that your fundamental concerns are these: first, that in the area of East-West economic relations we create no new multilateral bodies which will infringe on national decisions; second, that no new multilateral Western policies on East-West trade be announced at the Williamsburg Summit itself. On the first point, I can assure you that we are in agreement. The second point seems to me to be one essentially of public presentation. As Secretary Shultz and Foreign Minister Cheysson agreed last year, what is important is to accomplish the work on these questions in the appropriate bodies of the OECD, IEA, COCOM and NATO. The work accomplished in these appropriate fora can and should stand on its ^{own} ~~on~~ without undue publicity at the Summit or the appearance that these results have emerged from the Summit itself.

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the case, I envision the outcome and public presentation of our discussions on this subject at Williamsburg to be quite limited. The Heads would endorse and encourage the concrete progress and preliminary results achieved in the other institutions and recognize the important benefit to the West of this on-going work.

Since it is critical that the work in these other organizations be far enough along that we do not have to belabor these issues at the Summit, I thought it useful to describe for you what I anticipate can and will be achieved in the various work programs by the time of the Williamsburg Summit:

In COCOM, we are working toward a consensus on an agreement to implement immediately controls on items already agreed to during the first round of the List Review; on agreement in principle to control or watch so-called "disembodied technologies" and emerging technologies; on early agreement in the List Review on the high-priority items of communications switching equipment, computer hardware and software and robotics; on several technical and administrative measures to improve the effectiveness of both national enforcement measures and the COCOM secretariat; and on agreement to conduct a study on other high technology items, including oil and gas equipment.

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I take some care in describing these anticipated results because I want you to know my thinking and to ask you to continue to encourage this work in every way possible to achieve expeditious results. I have no desire to accord East-West economic relations a prominent position in the Summit agenda or in the public discussion around the Summit. I am far more concerned that we achieve the real results being developed in the other organizations. It would benefit only the Soviet Union if either of our countries felt it necessary to highlight differences on these issues in a public way.

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And this can only happen if we fail to communicate now with clarity and candor about our expectations for the results of current efforts in these bodies and specific substantive concerns on progress to be achieved by the time of the Summit.

If it is also your understanding that by mid-May we will have achieved the specific results I have indicated, we could at that time agree upon the public presentation of this issue in connection with the Summit including how we handle it in the joint press statement. A predetermined accord between us on the public handling of this agenda item will almost certainly ensure the overall success of the Summit for all participants at a vital moment in the world's economic destiny.

I would appreciate receiving your views and expectations on these issues. I also hope that we can meet together personally prior to the Summit and will be in touch with you shortly about possible time and place. I am determined to use every opportunity and resource at my disposal to exercise strong mutual leadership with you and our other Summit partners to achieve a unified Summit that marks quiet progress on security-related economic issues and rallies public confidence on the crucial issues of economic growth and employment for our free societies.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

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March 31, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM: DENNIS BLAIR *DB* ROBINSON/HENRY NAU *HN*
SUBJECT: Message to President Mitterrand on Williamsburg Summit

Attached is our draft of a message for the President to send to President Mitterrand. It suggests that we will play the East-West economic issues in a low-key way at the Summit if the French will help us achieve substantive results in the other bodies. (S)

Your plan was to discuss this draft with the President over the weekend, with Secretary Shultz early next week and to send it by the middle of next week. (C)

Don Fortier, Norm Bailey, Doug McMinn, Bill Martin and Charles Tyson have all contributed and reviewed this text. (U)

RECOMMENDATION

That you discuss this message with the President and Secretary Shultz and send it to President Mitterrand by April 6.

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On export credit arrangements, the OECD negotiations are leading to a new export credit consensus arrangement that provides for the automatic adjustment of interest rate guidelines to market conditions and reduces the amount of cover on credits or guarantees for Category I countries.

In addition to approving this strengthened arrangement on credits, the OECD Ministerial meeting is expected to record significant progress in the assessment of the balance of advantages in East-West trade so that we are better equipped to deal with the monopsony power of Soviet trading practices.

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