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WASHINGTON

September 20, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

Attached is George Shultz's Evening Report for Monday, September 19, 1983.

The Vice President cc: Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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September 19, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

George P. Shultz

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- 1. McFarlane Negotiations. Prince Bandar arrived as promised in Damascus today, and met with Foreign Minister Khaddam, He emerged from the meeting "cautiously optimistic", saying that the only change to the text given to Dick Fairbanks in Jidda was another adjustment to the list of Lebanese participants in national unity talks. Bandar will meet again tonight with Khaddam, apparently after Khaddam has had an opportunity to meet with President Assad. Depending on the results of this second meeting, Bandar plans to send his negotiating associate, Rafiq Hariri, to Beirut tomorrow morning to discuss the Syrian reaction with President Gemayel.
- Pakistan: MIGs Attack Village. On September 18-19, there were repeated violations of Pakistani airspace. The most serious violation occurred on the 18th, when six MIG-21s flew into the Parachinar area (Northwest Frontier Province) (NWFP), bombed a small village wounding five civilians, and penetrated 16 nautical miles into Pakistan. Throughout the morning of the 18th and of the 19th, aircraft overflew the NWFP and Baluchistan but conducted no further attacks. We have not yet been able to determine whether the aircraft were Soviet or Afghan. from January 1980-March 1983, 735 Soviet/Afghan aircraft (in 378 incidents) violated Pakistani airspace. The current attacks may be Soviet interdiction or hot-pursuit efforts but are more likely harassment of the local population for supporting the freedom fighters. Coming at a time of global condemnation of the KAL massacre and of reversals in Afghanistan, they may form part of Soviet efforts to "brazen it out" -- lashing out to keep opponents fearful and off-balance. (S)
- Ken Dam's Breakfast with Senators Heinz and Garn. Ken Dam had breakfast today with Senators John Heinz and Jake Garn. The subject was upcoming Senate floor action on the Export Administration Act extension, 5-979. Dam suggested certain interagency-cleared changes in the Senate Banking Committee Bill. These dealt with among other things import sanctions, import restrictions and foreign availability. The Senators expressed their willingness to be helpful, but cautioned that they were not prepared to weaken their bargaining position in conference and wanted above all to keep their bill from "unraveling" with too many amendments on the Senate floor. (C)

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September 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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cc: The Vice President Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From : George P. Shultz

- 1. Central America: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Bill Casey and I briefed Barry Goldwater's Committee on the new Nicaragua finding today. We had a serious exchange of views on the covert action program's purposes, with strong interest in the circumstances which would allow us to terminate it. Member travel to Nicaragua and the rest of Central America is helping to create an appreciation of the realities there. Barry is leaving town and Pat Moynihan will chair a member-only debate session on September 21. We have learned that Moynihan may be ready to vote for the program. If he does, he could lead other Democrats, giving us a good Senate floor vote and a strong going-in position for the House-Senate conference on the '84 Intelligence Authorization Bill. (The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will hear Bill Casey and Ken Dam on the finding on September 21; I will be testifying on War Powers at the same time.) (SECRET/SENSITIVE)
- 2. Egyptian Defense Minister Abu Ghazala. During our meeting today Field Marshal Abu Ghazala pressed Egypt's case for more military assistance under better terms. He has made similar points to Cap Weinberger, and will call on the Hill. He emphasized that Egypt's military requires higher levels of assistance to keep up with regional threats. The burden of loans for military equipment is particularly acute for Egypt. I told the Defense Minister that we are sensitive to Egypt's concerns and will do our best to be helpful. I also emphasized our determination to continue the peace process and to find constructive solutions to the basic problems of the Palestinian people. (S)
- 3. Soviet Responses to Demands on MBFR and Lebanon. Soviet Embassy Minister-Counselor Sokolov responded today to presentations by Ken Dam on MBFR, August 4 and Larry Eagleburger on Lebanon, September 2. Ken had suggested that the two MBFR delegation chiefs be instructed to initiate discussions in Vienna on verification—the Soviets would be willing, provided the whole range of MBFR issues could be discussed, not just verification. On Lebanon, the Soviet response was a diatribe setting forth familiar Soviet positions. Acting Assistant Secretary Kelly commented that the polemical language and accusatory tone were neither helpful nor indicative of a serious Soviet intention to be constructive. Kelly reiterated our request of last Thursday that the Soviets use their influence with the Afghan regime to assure the security of our Kabul Embassy because of Afghan threats. Sokolov said he had dispatched the request. Kelly expressed appreciation, and Sokolov commented that the case shows "we can still do business." (C)
- 4. Visit of Hungarian Foreign Minister. During a meeting and working lunch, Hungarian Foreign Minister Varkonyi and I had a relaxed discussion today of US-Hungarian relations (we both agreed that the bilateral relationship was in good shape). Varkonyi underscored what he saw as a disturbing lack of mutual understanding in US-Soviet relations and noted—with particular reference to the KAL tragedy—the importance of Moscow's historical sense of insecurity. I noted your determination to proceed with arms control negotiations and the difficulties we had in maintaining a productive dialogue with the Soviet side. (C)

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- Hill Appearances on War Powers. I appeared today before the HFAC and SFRC for seven hours today to respond to questions on the War Powers Resolution and our policy in Lebanon. In the HFAC, I found broad support for the spirit in which the compromise was worked out. Several Members expressed concern regarding the duration of the troop commitment and indicated an intention to offer amendments to shorten the timeframe. In the SFRC, while Republicans were supportive of the Baker/Percy Resolution, Senators Pell and Glenn expressed reservations about the 18-month timeframe. From the tone of his questioning, it appeared Sarbanes will offer troublesome amendments to the Baker/Percy Resolution. (U)
- European MNF Members Diplomatic Initiative on Lebanon. The French and British Ambassadors told Larry Eagleburger today that France, Italy and the UK have agreed to a joint position on Lebanon. The Europeans made three points: (1) Syrian objectives in Lebanon are not necessarily incompatible with a peaceful settlement and Syria should not be isolated internationally; (2) the role of the MNF was to show support for the Lebanese government in its efforts at national reconciliation and to allow President Gemayel to negotiate; and (3) the three European countries intended to pursue their MNF role based on the existing mandate, with a ceasefire and start of informal negotiations to be followed by a "visible disengagement" of the MNF from Lebanon. Larry noted that the concept of "visible disengagement" of the MNF was new. The sketchy information being provided and the handling of this initiative is worrisome. Larry told both Ambassadors we needed time to consider the implications and that this proposal could be seen as pulling the rug out from under Gemayel. (S)
- Ken Dam's Appearance Before the House Intelligence Committee. As a follow-up to my appearance before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence yesterday, Ken Dam testified today before the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence on the new Presidential finding on Nicaragua. Unfortunately, both Chairman Boland and Ranking Minority Member Robinson were absent due to the markup of the Continuing Resolution. The Committee was generally favorable to a clearer definition of our policy. The Democratic Members repeatedly raised questions about Fred Ikle's recent speech in Baltimore. They expressed great concern that his statements were directly contrary to previous Administration positions and this finding. It should be noted that unlike the Senate Committee which originally requested this finding, the House Committee as yet has not indicated that they will formally vote on this issue. (S)
- KAL Follow-Up. The US Navy task force in the Sea of Japan continues its efforts to pinpoint the location of the KAL airliner "black box" in international waters. We expect to turn over the black box to the ICAO. The Korean government has formally assented to the turn-over, and will make a public announcement tonight. The ICAO's present intention is to have the materials taken to a special laboratory in Paris for analysis. In coordination with the Japanese we are informing the Soviets that we will send a joint delegation of six officials to Sakhalin on September 26 to receive the "objects and documents" the Soviets have offered to turn over. We are making contingency plans to ensure that the Soviets do not exploit this meeting for their own propaganda purposes. (S)

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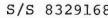
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September 22, 1983

- Meeting with Somali Foreign Minister. During our meeting this afternoon, Somali Foreign Minister Jama Barre reiterated a request for continued US military, economic and political assistance in the face of perceived Ethiopian threats to Somali territorial integrity. The Foreign Minister underscored Somali efforts to promote good relations in the region. I reassured the Foreign Minister of continued US support and said we would be alert both to unwarranted criticisms and to friendly support at the UN--expressing the hope that the Somali envoy's speech at the UN General Assembly session would be strong in defense of principles that our two countries shared. (C)
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WILLIAM P. CLARK

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cc: The Vice President

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September 23, 1983

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THE PRESIDENT

From : George P. Shultz

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1. Meeting with Mrs. Gandhi's Foreign Policy Advisors. The this afternoon with G. Parthasarathy, Prime Minister Gandhi's trusted foreign policy advisor, and M.K. Rasgotra, India's Foreign Secretary. We discussed the upcoming meeting between you and Mrs. Gandhi in New York. I indicated that you would probably wish primarily to discuss bilateral relations, as well as exchange views on the general world situation, particularly

Soviet behavior, Indo-Pakistan relations, and the situation in

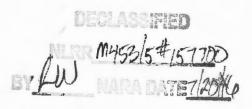
China. (S)

2. Philippine Demonstrations. Anti-Marcos demonstrations erupted again at several points in Manila today. In the business/financial district some 10,000 participated in a demonstration which was brought under control with teargas. During the confrontation the military brandished weapons, but it is unclear whether there was any firing. A much smaller demonstration was broken up enroute to the US Embassy. The demonstrations are organized by centrist political groups with leftist students and perhaps labor unions participating. Embassy Manila sees no grounds for optimism that the situation in Manila will quickly improve or stabilize. (S)

State Department KAL Briefing for Labor Leaders. Larry Eagleburger led a State Department briefing today for 60 labor leaders representing major US unions. The meeting, chaired by Ray Donovan, was held on the eve of the AFL-CIO's national convention. Larry's briefing was well received. The Longshoremen's Teddy Gleason expressed strong support for the Administration's handling of the KAL incident. The airline pilots' spokesman stressed that the 60-day boycott was an independent action which resulted because the pilots were "boiling mad". He said the association would consider further actions if the Soviets continue to obstruct an investigation and fail to make amends. In a press conference following the briefing, Gleason tended to discount the possibility of a national Longshoremen's boycott against Soviet ships. But the AFL-CIO convention is expected to pass a strong anti-Soviet resolution calling for stiffer US actions against the USSR. (U)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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WILLIAM P. CLARK

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cc: The Vice President
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Kenneth W. Dam, Acting

1. Secretary's Meeting With Korean Foreign Minister. The Secretary met this afternoon with Foreign Minister Lee in the first of his UNGA bilaterals. Lee expressed deep appreciation for your leadership in mobilizing an effective international response to the KAL shootdown. He also thanked us for our efforts, even though unsuccessful, to permit Korean participation in the Soviet handover of KAL debris on Sakhalin Island today. (The handover went smoothly, with the Soviets transferring five boxes of KAL debris to US and Japanese officials. There was no effort to pass fraudulently manufactured evidence to bolster the Soviet position.) On arms control, Lee said that President Chun, like other Asian leaders, was concerned that our new INF position could result in an increased SS-20 threat in the Far East. The Secretary assured him that our new approach was fully consistent with our objective of global limitations at the lowest possible level in Asia as well as in Europe. (S)

- 2. Salvadoran Left and Peace Commission Agree to Meet. The Salvadoran Peace Commission and the FMLN/FDR have, according to preliminary reports, agreed to hold their second meeting on September 29 in Bogota. The meeting is expected to focus on agendas and procedures for future meetings. The left had initially insisted that the meeting be held in San Salvador to bolster their demand for power sharing. The Salvador location is likely to be an issue for follow-on meetings. (C)
- 3. Meetings with Finnish President and Foreign Minister. I had separate meetings today with Finnish President Koivisto and Foreign Minister Vayrynen. Regarding Lebanon, Vayrynen said that Finland would remain in UNIFIL, but that its mandate needed to be amended. I noted that since the national reconciliation negotiations would take time, we would have to opt for a renewal of the mandate without changes. Regarding the INF negotiations, both Koivisto and Vayrynen noted that Soviet statements about deployment "changing the basis of the negotiations" should not be interpreted as Soviet unwillingness to continue the talks after December. On the forthcoming Conference on Disarmament in Europe, Vayrynen said he shared our view that only confidence building measures (CBMs) should be on the agenda. (S)

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September 28, 1983

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cc: The Vice President Ed Meese Jim Baker

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

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Kenneth W. Dam, Acting

- 1. Lebanon: After the Cease-Fire. The cease-fire continued to hold in Lebanon today, but no progress was made toward implementing the rest of the cease-fire agreement: the introduction of neutral observers to monitor the cease-fire; formation of a security arrangements committee to help maintain the cease-fire; and the start of national political talks. Syria apparently remains opposed to UNTSO observers, but might consider some other form of UN forces. Khaddam will discuss the issue with UN officials while in New York for UNGA. Venue remains a central problem. GOL plans for a security arrangements committee meeting this morning were aborted by disagreement with opposition leaders over location. And Syria opposes the GOL choice of Saudi Arabia or Beirut for at least the initial meeting of the national reconciliation talks.
- 2. Meeting with Prince Bandar. In my meeting with Bandar, he conveyed the message that the cease-fire is a great but fragile achievement which will come apart rapidly without further steps toward Israeli withdrawal. The Saudis believe that reconciliation talks must move forward quickly, and that Gemayel is prepared to "make changes." However, they believe the Syrian goal remains Israeli withdrawal and the Syrians will force the discussions to focus on this, rather than on inter-Lebanese issues. The Saudis thus feel dangerously exposed and want reassurance that we will press the Israelis.

We pointed out that the reconciliation talks and withdrawal must be addressed simultaneously and that Israel will not withdraw unless it clearly understands the security situation which will prevail along its border. Bandar agreed that the situation does not necessarily require immediate Israeli withdrawal, but rather actions (undefined) to create a sense of movement.

3. Quadripartite Ministerial Breakfast. At breakfast in New York with George this morning, the British, French and West German Foreign Ministers applauded your measured approach to the Soviet Union in the wake of the KAL tragedy. They appreciated George's reassurance that we do not intend to allow the incident to throw our policy toward the Soviet Union off course. None of the Allied ministers favored taking additional measures against the Soviet Union, but all agreed that we should follow up actively in ICAO and on legal claims. On arms control, FRG Foreign Minister Genscher thought that this autumn might not prove to be as "hot" in terms of public opposition to our European missile deployments as we had feared and stressed Bonn's determination to deploy on schedule.

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THE PRESIDENT

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Kenneth W. Dam, Acting

- Meeting with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher. George met last night in New York with FRG Foreign Minister Genscher. On INF, Genscher informed us of the decision earlier that day by Chancellor Kohl to postpone the INF debate in the Bundestag until November This will make it more difficult for us to deploy the first nine Pershing II's by mid-December as now scheduled. Otherwise, Genscher was absolutely solid in his support for the NATO decision. Genscher reacted enthusiastically to the measures on INF you announced in your UNGA speech and strongly supported your handling of the KAL tragedy. He pressed us to consider a meeting with Gromyko, perhaps at the opening of the CDE in Stockholm next January. George asked Genscher to drop the idea of ministerial participation in the CDE opening. As have other NATO foreign ministers, Genscher also pressed hard for United States agreement to participate in rescheduling the official Polish debt. George made no commitments, and noted our continuing concern over human rights in Poland.
- 2. Visit of Japanese Minister of International Trade and Industry Uno. Sosuke Uno, head of MITI, met today with Under Secretary Allen Wallis to discuss bilateral economic and trade issues. Uno "hoped" we could find a solution to the automobile issue before your November visit to Japan and said the GOJ was considering eliminating or reducing tariffs on semiconductors (on a reciprocal basis), particleboard and kraft paper. Uno also assured Allen that he would convey US views on Japan's beef and citrus import quotas to Prime Minister Nakasone. (However, Deputy Foreign Minister Motono told Allen earlier in the day that the strong possibility of Diet elections in December has worsened the prospect for real progress on agriculture before or during your visit.)
- 3. Blocking Nicaragua's UN Resolution. We have mounted an intensive lobbying effort to head off Nicaragua's request for an urgent UNGA debate on Central America. It is important that we not allow Cuba, Nicaragua and the Soviets to shift the Contadora peace process to the more hostile UN environment. At the same time, Costa Rica called today for a urgent meeting on Nicaragua in the OAS -- which is more disposed to our position. We can use this to argue that this issue belongs in the regional forum, not at the UN.

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Bilateral Meeting with Lebanese Foreign Minister Salem. In a meeting today with George, Foreign Minister Salem pressed for stronger U.S. assurances to the Lebanese government, especially with regard to Syria. In particular, Salem asked whether the U.S. would use its naval presence to put pressure on the Syrians. He also probed for a U.S. plan or guarantee which would assure the withdrawal of all foreign forces. response, George emphasized that the U.S. commitment to Lebanon remained strong, and included our continuing MNF presence in Lebanon. It did not include, however, a military commitment against Syria.

2. El Salvador: Second Meeting Between Peace Commission and FMLN/FDR. In yesterday's meeting with El Salvador's Peace Commission in Bogota, the left categorically rejected any possibility of participating in next year's presidential elections, while keeping open the possibility of additional meetings. They presented written proposals calling for power sharing and the left's participation in a national debate to define solutions to the conflict. President Magana will issue a press statement which accuses the FMLN/FDR of using the talks for propaganda and tactical ends, and the Government's Political Commission will meet Monday to formulate an official response. We have urged Magana to make clear that the GOES favors continued dialogue. While little progress is made at such meetings, any breakdown must clearly be seen to be the responsibility of the left.

3. Congressional Briefings. I met with Senate Majority Leader Baker and Minority Leader Byrd this morning. They were interested in a quick

update on a number of foreign policy issues.

Senator Byrd asked specifically about the prospects of the cease-fire holding in Lebanon and what the role of the Syrians was in the ongoing negotiations. Both Senators expressed their continuing concern about our presence in Lebanon after the Israelis chose to withdraw to safer boundaries.

On Central America, I told them that the situation was improving, that the Contadora process was ongoing, and that the U.S. trained batallions in the Salvadoran army were performing very well. Senator Baker asked for a readout on recent meetings in Bogota, which I promised to provide for him.

4. Bilateral with Syria's Khaddam. In his meeting with George today, Syrian Foreign Minister Khaddam expressed his opposition to UNTSO observers in Lebanon, stating that the conflict was an internal one, and would be exaccerbated by imposition of a UN role. He also stated that the goal of all parties was national reconciliation, and that UN observers would lead to a freeze of the situation and defacto partition. Syria continues to insist on abrogation of the May 17 agreement before it will discuss its own withdrawal with the GOL. Khaddam said that Yasir Arafat's position within Fatah is now weaker than that of the opposition, but he will remain PLO chairman for the foreseeable future.



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- My Meeting with Venezuelan Foreign Minister. Venezuelan Foreign Minister Zambrano told me that Nicaragua has agreed to postpone debate on Central America in the General Assembly, but it is continuing to pursue inscription of the issue on the UNGA agenda. According to Zambrano, Mexican Foreign Minister Sepulveda had persuaded Nicaragua to agree to postponement in the face of Panamanian, Colombian and Venezuelan opposition. Obviously your call to de la Madrid had the desired impact. Zambrano thought that if there were continuing progress in the Contadora process Nicaragua would agree to indefinite postponement of the UNGA debate on Central America. All five Central American countries now have agreed to the Contadora 21 points. The next step is a meeting of the Contadora Foreign Ministers to begin work on verification and inspection procedures and a draft treaty. (C)
- Syrian Positions on Lebanon Ceasefire and Political Talks. According to Prince Bandar, Khaddam has said he has no problem with Baabda as venue for the National Reconciliation Conference. He did signal the need to reassure Lebanese opposition figures about personal security. Consistent with the position the Syrians have taken in the past, Khaddam said he would not object to Italian ceasefire observers. We are seeking a formula to avoid the Syrian and Jumblatt aversion to observers operating under UN auspices, and may win Lebanese approval for a joint Greek-Italian observer group. (S)
- My Meeting with Omani Minister of State al-Alawi. Al-Alawi briefed me on the October 2 discussions of Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Foreign Ministers regarding Iranian threats to close the Gulf to ships carrying war material to Iraq. He was skeptical the GCC could accomplish anything itself and said that if Iran interferred with Gulf shipping, only the US could take effective Referring to reports that the US was considering Security Council action, he added that the Omanis would support any formula that would insulate the Gulf from the Iraq-Iran War but seemed pessimistic that Iran would accept such a resolution. Al-Alawi said that Oman wants to be helpful on our request for transmitter facilities for VOA but is still concerned that the US Congressional appropriations process will generate publicity that could be embarrassing for Oman. I said that the USG will look for ways to implement any such project in a manner which takes these concerns into account. (S)
- Nigeria. This past weekend, Chet Crocker attended the inauguration of Nigerian President Shagari. The upbeat Nigeria comments made to Crocker about our bilateral relations were in part the result of your warm congratulatory message and telephone call to Shagari and your positive mention of Nigeria's democratic process in your Seattle speech. It is clear that the Nigerians view the US as their political and economic model and want to work more closely with us. We are developing some thoughts on how to capitalize on the Nigerian mood and move them toward needed austerity measures at home and greater self-confidence in dealing with Qadhafi and other regional issues. We hope to be able to make further progress on these issues as we look ahead to Shagari's visit next year. (C)

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- 1. Meeting with Foreign Minister Genscher. Ken Dam met on Monday afternoon with Genscher, who arrived from Costa Rica. He said that before the end of 1983, the FRG will send an ambassador to El Salvador. Genscher is interested in promoting within the EC an arrangement for economic cooperation with the countries of Central America, similar to what the EC does with ASEAN. I said we would be interested in discussing this further. Genscher was disturbed by what he termed an uneasy situation in Costa Rica and said that the FRG was interested in doing more in economic assistance for that country. Genscher agreed with me that we should oppose Nicaragua's effort to take the Central American issue to the UN. (C)
- 2. Nicaragua Initiative to Put Central America on UNGA Agenda. Late this afternoon the UN's General Committee approved without a vote a Nicaraguan request to include Central America on the UNGA agenda. The meeting displayed a lack of enthusiasm for the proposal; we spoke against with the other Central Americans. Separately, Mexico--on behalf of the Contadora Group--has reportedly reached agreement with Nicaragua to postpone indefinitely any debate in the Assembly, despite today's action. We cannot be sure how long that agreement will hold. (C)
- 3. <u>US-Spanish Joint Council Meeting</u>. I met this afternoon with Spanish Foreign Minister Moran and then co-chaired with him the first Joint Council meeting to take place under our new bilateral defense cooperation agreement. The Spanish seem genuinely pleased with the progress made in various areas of cooperation under the agreement. They complained about our bilateral trade imbalance, but seem to understand this is mainly a structural problem. In my private meeting, I pushed gently for a positive Spanish decision on NATO. In an evasive reply, Moran introduced one new element, saying that he personally felt Spain should consult in depth with its allies, particularly the US, before deciding how to approach its public on the NATO question. Moran indicated these consultations might be as early as next Spring. (C)
- Prospects For Jordan Logistics Program Looking Up. Under Secretary Schneider, Ambassador Viets, and DOD witnesses briefed the Long Subcommittee this morning about the Jordan Logistics Program (JLP), a US-Jordanian effort to equip and train a Jordanian task force (up to two brigades) to respond to crises anywhere in the Persian Gulf, including Saudi Arabia. Doc Long, who has in the past indicated that he opposed the JLP, requested such a briefing, in part to assert his Subcommittee's (rather than the Defense Subcommittee) jurisdiction over this program. Despite the fact that Prime Minister Begin and other high level Israeli officials were briefed on this program three months ago and have not until recently voiced any objection to it, Long was told the other day by the Israeli Ambassador that Israel now objected to the program. Despite Long's irritation over the jurisdictional question, the other Members of the Subcommittee, including Democrats Matt McHugh and David Obey, indicated they would support the program. (SECRET/SENSITIVE) DECL: OADR



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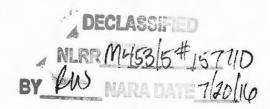
Secretary's Meeting with El Salvador's Foreign Minister. an unusually searching and candid review of El Salvador's internal political scene, Foreign Minister Chavez Mena predicted to George Shultz progress in two important areas, the churchwomen's case and land reform, but painted a bleak picture of the Armed Forces' continued inability to exert control and the resurgence of death squad activity, which he considered particularly ominous. George pressed for progress on the churchwomen to allow us to deal with the Specter Amendment and build support in the Congress. Chavez Mena described a schedule of actions leading to formal trial in January. He believed a compromise was possible on the highly-charged land reform issue, reporting the President was now directly involved with a proposal. Overall, however, he had a gloomy assessment of the ability of El Salvador's military, because of command and control problems, to deal effectively with the guerrillas or, indeed, their own independent commands.

Chavez Mena believes Nicaragua is hemmed in by the Contadora peace process and is losing support among Social Democrats and Christian Democrats in Europe. He hoped his government would have the wisdom to offer reasonable terms to the Left for electoral participation in El Salvador. When these were refused, as he knew they would be, they would further strip away their democratic facade

and international support.

2. Secretary's Meeting with Turkish Foreign Minister Turkmen. George had a frank discussion with Turkmen, making the point that Turkish Cypriot leader Denktash's reported rejection of the UN Secretary General's latest initiative will pose political problems for us in getting the security assistance funds we have requested for Turkey. Turkmen came back very strongly, stating that after the 1974-78 U.S. embargo of Turkey, the Turkish public would not understand or accept the use of pressure on security assistance to force Turkish action on the Cyprus issue. If this happened, Turkmen said it would have a very serious effect on the entire bilateral relationship. Turkmen stated clearly that Turkey did not have the power to exert full control over Turkish Cypriot behavior, but that he expected the intercommunal talks between the island's two communities to resume next month.

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1. Meeting with Israeli Ambassador. In a meeting this afternoon with Israeli Ambassador Rosenne, I conveyed to him (as I had been instructed by Judge Clark) that you were concerned to the verge of anger over Israeli opposition to the Jordan logistics program. I stressed to Rosenne the high importance we attach to the program and stated the strong hope that Israel would not oppose it publicly. In response, Rosenne said that a highly trained mobile Jordanian military force posed a threat to Israeli security which Israel had to take into account. Rosenne said that he had voiced Israel's opposition to the program only in response to a direct request from a Congressman. I undertook to have a more detailed briefing on the subject provided to the Ambassador.

2. Secretary's Meeting with Saudi Foreign Minister. George met today with Prince Saud, who stressed King Fahd's belief that some progress toward Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon is essential if Saudi Arabia is to press for Syrian withdrawal. George replied that while Israel was willing to withdraw in principle, the re-entry of PLO forces into the Shuf could radically change the situation; Israel needs assurance that the pre-war situation will not reoccur. George also stated that we will not advocate abrogating the Israel-Lebanon May 17 agreement, although we understand that many formulas are being discussed about how it might be handled or delayed.

3. Secretary Shultz's Meeting with Argentine Foreign Minister. In a meeting with George today, Argentine Foreign Minister Aguirre Lanari expressed confidence that elections would be held October 30 as scheduled and predicted that the new government would be installed sooner than the planned January 30 inauguration date. Aguirre also assured George that, in spite of serious economic problems, Argentina would continue to meet its international obligations and would not support the creation of any debtors club or consortium.

4. Bipartisan Leadership Briefing. I met this morning with bipartisan Senate leadership for our regular weekly update. Present were Senators Baker, Byrd and Stevens. Since Senator Byrd had earlier advocated stronger Administration support for the Afghan resistance movement, I gave a short briefing on the situation in Afghanistan and promised to have the CIA brief Byrd in more detail later. On the Export Administration Act, Senator Baker indicated a willingness to take up the legislation immediately after the recess. Other topics covered included the U.S. presence in Honduras, possible Soviet counter-deployments against our INF deployments, and an update on the Middle East situation.

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- Meeting With Core Four. My meeting today in New York with three of the Central American Core Four Foreign Ministers (Chavez Mena of El Salvador, Andrade of Guatemala, and Paz Barnica of Honduras) produced widespread unanimity on basic objectives and tactics. There was a common sense of progress despite increased tensions ahead. They agreed that the Contadora talks were useful, both in themselves and in the battle for world opinion. All sensed movement our way in Europe. There was strong endorsement of our security efforts and firm agreement that we must continue to press Nicaragua on the theme of democracy. At the same time there was consternation with the U.S. Congress and concern about our staying power over the long haul. It was a very useful session; the tone was serious but confident. We all seemed to be on the same wavelength. (S)
- Protest to Soviets over Threatening Actions by Soviet Aircraft. Today the Department called in Counselor Kuznetsov, the ranking Soviet Embassy official available in Washington, to warn the Soviets in connection with this morning's report about threatening Soviet aircraft activity over the Sea of Japan. We described the incident without giving the details; noted that the U.S. was taking care to conduct its KAL search operations exclusively in international waters; and told Kuznetsov that there is no excuse for any Soviet overreaction to routine and predictable movements by U.S. units in the area. Stressing the importance the USG attaches to this matter, we demanded that Soviet authorities ensure that their aircraft in that region scrupulously refrain from actions which might easily be misinterpreted and that Kuznetsov report urgently to Moscow. Kuznetsov agreed to do so, but had no substantive comment. (S)
- Deputy Secretary's Meeting with Peruvian Prime Minister. In his meeting with Ken Dam this afternoon, Prime Minister Schwalb of Peru conveyed President Belaunde's greetings to you and thanked us for our aid to combat recent natural disasters. He told Ken that Peru is now working with the IMF to adjust its financial assistance programs and is optimistic about an agreement, and urged sympathetic treatment and U.S. support. narcotics, Schwalb reiterated Peru's commitment to curb production and traffic, for its own good and ours. emphasized to Schwalb our appreciation for Peru's stated commitment to human rights as it fights Maoist terrorists, noting how sensitive this issue can be in the U.S.

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1. The Israeli Economy: Positive Steps by New Cabinet. Shamir Government has taken strong action to deal with a financial crisis precipitated by last week's run against bank stocks and the shekel. The policy steps include a 23% devaluation of the shekel and reductions in food subsidies totalling about \$1 billion (5% of GNP). This is strong medicine. Israeli sources estimate that the resulting price increases will be about 9% for low income families and 12.5% for middle income. All of these steps are necessary, but -- as Shamir recognizes -- more is still required. How much more action is

needed depends upon whether Finance Minister Aridor receives sufficient support to resist pressures to translate the changes into wage increases. Minister Aridor will meet with me on Friday, October 14 to discuss his plans for stabilizing Israel's economy. (C)

Genscher/Gromyko Meeting. When we met last week, FRG Foreign Minister Genscher informed me that he was attempting to organize a meeting with Gromyko, probably in Sofia where both are scheduled to be early this week. The meeting has now been announced for October 15 in Vienna. Genscher indicated that this meeting was extremely important for the German government as a demonstration of its continued effort to seek improved East-West relations and to contribute to an INF agreement in Geneva. In our discussion, Genscher raised the possibility of broaching the idea of a US/Soviet meeting with Gromyko. obviously posed no objection to the German/Soviet meeting, but I asked Genscher not to raise with Gromyko that he and I might meet. You will recall that President Carstens raised this possibility when you met him October 4, and Genscher pushed the idea with me on several occasions last week. (S)

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- Meeting with Israeli Foreign Ministry Deputy Director General Bar-on. During the course of lengthy separate conversations today with Larry Eagleburger and Dick Murphy, Israeli Foreign Ministry Deputy Director General Hanon Bar-on stressed the Israeli desire for closer and earlier consultations with the US on issues large and small. Bar-on is clearly worried about perceptions in the Middle East that Israel is relatively passive and stressed the important role that US power, including use of the New Jersey and our role in the MNF, had played in convincing Syria to accept the Lebanon ceasefire. He expressed appreciation for your support of the May 17 Agreement during your broadcast last Saturday and urged that we continue to stand by it and convince Lebanon to do so as well. Bar-on spent considerable time with Dick Murphy reviewing relations between Egypt and Israel and suggested on a personal basis that perhaps the Egyptians and Israeli Ministers of Defense could be brought together for a meeting under MFO auspices. (S)
- Meeting With Dobrynin. Soviet Ambassador Dobrynin called on Larry Eagleburger today ostensibly to hand over copies of their nuclear arms proposals freeze, but was clearly interested in a broader discussion. Larry took the opportunity to tell Dobrynin that the evidence is pointing toward North Korean involvement in the bomb attack on the South Korean leadership. He said that we are cautioning the South Koreans to exercise restraint and we hoped the Soviets would convey the same message to Pyongyang. Larry also chided Dobrynin on Andropov's negative reaction to our INF proposal. Dobrynin said Andropov was not enunciating a new Soviet policy--merely drawing conclusions from ours--and his remarks should not be interpreted to mean that our discussions could not be continued. Dobrynin then complained about announcing arms control initiatives in the press, a practice which limited their flexibility to respond, and urged more private consultation. Dobrynin described our present communication problem as the worst he could recall, with too much misunderstanding on both sides and too little dialogue. He did mention his meeting with you in very positive terms, obviously hoping for more such sessions. When Larry cited Shcharanskiy as a clear case in which we had been misled, Dobrynin acknowledged that there had been a "misunderstanding", said their man Kondrashev had been "grilled" about what he had told Max Kampelman, and stated flatly that if Kondrashev had promised anything it had not been authorized. (S)

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- 1. My Meeting with the Japanese Ambassador. Ambassador Okawara called on me today to discuss your visit to Japan prior to his own departure tomorrow for Tokyo to help with final preparations. Okawara stressed Japan's desire for a successful trip with maximum accomplishment, but he said it would be difficult for political reasons to achieve agreement on some issues, such as agriculture, before the Japanese elections (expected late this year). I emphasized that the visit should give you and Nakasone the opportunity to concentrate on broad bilateral and global issues. In order to demonstrate that we are managing the relationship effectively, I stressed the need for progress in resolving difficult trade problems prior to your visit and called for action on issues such as tariff reductions and the yen-dollar exchange rate problem. (S)
- Eagleburger Meeting with Israeli Ambassador on Jordan Logistics Planning. Larry Eagleburger called in Israeli Ambassador Rosenne today to stress our commitment to the Jordan Logistics Planning program and the importance of Israeli silence on it. Larry had given the same message to Israeli Foreign Ministry Deputy Director General Bar-On yesterday, and Rosenne was briefed on the program and on our concerns about the Israeli reaction by Politico-Military Director Howe earlier in the morning. Rosenne argued Israeli opposition at length, but noted that Israel understands US concerns and is studying the issue. apologized for the damaging leak in Israel today about the scope of the program and said that the Israeli Government was not responsible. (S)
- Israeli Economic Situation: Resignation of Finance Minister. Press stories concerning Finance Minister Aridor's plans to implement an economic program involving devaluation, budget deficit reduction and dollarization of the Israeli economy further fueled economic and political uncertainties in Israel today. By the end of the day Aridor had resigned and Prime Minister Shamir had announced that he did not know who would be the next Finance Minister but that no plan for dollarization would be put into effect. The opposition appears ready to seize this opportunity to call for an early no-confidence vote. Opposition to Aridor's plan centered not on the economic merits or demerits, but on the perception of closer ties and greater "dependence" on the US. At an emergency Cabinet meeting Aridor was apparently unable to rally sufficient support for his program. It is unclear whether Shamir provided any of the support Aridor expected to receive. The public furor sparked additional buying of dollars during the day: some bank branches are reported to have run out of US currency. In the wake of Aridor's resignation and absent the designation of a new Finance Minister there is great uncertainty as to whether the banks will be able to open for tomorrow's half-day of trading. The stock market will remain closed at least through Sunday. (S)

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