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December 14, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT: Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

Attached is George Shultz's evening report for Tuesday,
December 13, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: ROBERT C. McFARLANE

Re: Robert C. McFarlane's Evening Report

Re: Robert C. McFarlane's Evening Report for Tuesday,
December 12, 1958.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Mace
Jim Baker
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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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December 13, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George P. Shultz *WPS*

1. Meeting with Senate Leadership. Ken Dam met today with Senators Baker and Byrd. During a general discussion on terrorism, it was clear that Senator Byrd is greatly preoccupied over the planned January joint session of Congress with you and believes a way should be found to avoid it. Senator Baker, however, stressed the important national symbolism involved and on balance thinks it should go forward. On Grenada, Byrd questioned whether the retention of 300 non-combat troops would be compatible with the War Powers Act. He also noted, and Baker agreed, that while he has to defend the Act institutionally, he would have to admit it is just not practicable. He was not sure, however, how many other Democrats would agree fully with his position. In his view, the Act is not realistic; it is an overreaction to Vietnam; and the President cannot be tied to such a short leash. He believes we should stay as long as necessary in Grenada to insure that Cuban and Soviet influence not be reintroduced there. (S)

2. Meeting with Former President Duarte of El Salvador. Ken also met this afternoon with Salvadoran Christian Democratic presidential candidate Jose Napoleon Duarte, who is in essence starting his campaign by touching bases here in Washington. His message was that El Salvador needs a strong democratic government with support from the international democratic community. Duarte said that he agrees with the message the Vice President delivered during his visit to El Salvador and pledged that if he wins the March election, he will confront the problems of human rights, abuse of authority, and death squads. Ken raised with him the problem of cooperating with the business community. Duarte responded that he was aware of the opposition of many in the Salvadoran private sector and that he was taking steps to broaden his support. (C)

3. Australian Refusal to Dock British Nuclear Vessel. Last week the Australian Defense Minister refused an informal British request to drydock the HMS Invincible in Sydney on the grounds that the Captain's failure to confirm or deny the presence of nuclear weapons on the Invincible would risk violation of the Labor Government's prohibition against nuclear weapons on Australian soil. The issue is of concern to us because of its implications for USN access to Australian repair facilities. The Australian Government is much embarrassed by the Defense Minister's action and is disavowing it privately. Foreign Minister Hayden also called me in Lisbon Monday evening to provide reassurances. We agreed it is important to nip in the bud any potential for misunderstanding. The U.S. is now proposing to the Australians a public statement that will reaffirm USN access to Australian ports and repair facilities, as well as Australian acceptance of our nuclear non-disclosure policy. (S)

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December 15, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT: Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

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December 14, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
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THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WASHINGTON

December 14, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : George P. Shultz *GPS*

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1. Jordanian Commander in Chief General bin Shaker: Meetings in the State Department. General bin Shaker spent two hours this afternoon in meetings with Ken Dam, Assistant Secretary Murphy, and me. He reaffirmed King Hussein's desire and efforts to proceed on the road to the peace process. He urged that, while Jordan continues to work toward that goal, we not forget that a secure and stable Jordan is also in our (and Israel's) interest. Bin Shaker emphasized Jordan's vulnerability to Syrian threats, noting that the range of the Soviet SA-5's already extends beyond Jordan's capital. In addition, he said Jordanian and US intelligence have confirmed Syrian inspired and supported terrorist activities within Jordan, and to Jordanian diplomats abroad. He pressed for USG assurances and commitments to Jordan's security. On the issue of Jordan Logistics Planning, bin Shaker looks for close coordination on how the public debate will be handled, and he was pleased to hear that Jordan will get \$115 million in Foreign Military Sales. (S)

2. Judge Tyler Reviews the Salvador Churchwomen's Case. Ken Dam met with Judge Harold Tyler, who prepared a report for us in the case of those charged with the murder of four American churchwomen in El Salvador in December 1980. Ken reviewed our reasons for classifying the report "secret" pending a review to determine whether disclosure would be harmful to the trial or detrimental to our policy interests. The Judge conceded that there may be policy considerations for temporarily classifying a report which states it is "quite possible" that Minister of Defense Vides Casanova, who was then Commander of the National Guard, was informed of an attempt by his subordinates to cover-up evidence of National Guard participation in the murders. However, Tyler doubts that release of the report will be prejudicial to successful prosecution of the case, and he recommended an early release. We are concerned about the possible impact of premature release on the ability of Vides Casanova to implement those actions he committed himself to as a result of the Vice President's visit. (S)

3. Larry Eagleburger's Lunch with British, French and West German Ambassadors. At lunch today, the British, French and West German Ambassadors asked Larry Eagleburger to assess the state of our relations with the Soviet Union. In response, Larry noted that although the Soviets seemed to have carried out a major review of relations with the US, their intentions, including with regard to a Ministerial-level meeting at next month's Stockholm conference, remained unclear. He stated that we have proposed a compromise solution to the Bering Sea boundary dispute, and that the reaction of the Soviets to our approach might be indicative of their policy. Discussing the situation in Poland, the German Ambassador advocated Western assistance to the Church-administered agricultural assistance project and lifting of some of the Western sanctions. Larry emphasized that our policy on Poland remained under review, and that our impression from last week's NATO Ministerial was that the allies did not attach a great deal of urgency to modifying the Western position. With regard to the recent Athens EC Summit, the British and German Ambassadors were intent upon putting the best face on the situation, maintaining that the Community makes progress only through crisis. (SENSITIVE)

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December 17, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

SUBJECT: Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

Attached is George Shultz's evening report for Friday,
December 16, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

December 16, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From: George P. Shultz *JS*

1. Visit of Thai Foreign Minister Siddhi. During my lunch today for the visiting Thai Foreign Minister, he said he expected the Vietnamese offensive against the Khmer resistance along the Thai-Kampuchea border would begin shortly. He doubted the Vietnamese would try to attack Thailand itself, although he believed they might undertake some action on the border designed to "frighten" the Thai public. Siddhi asked for permission to buy the F-16/100 which we have so far not approved for sale in Southeast Asia but we will address this request carefully. He also asked the US to consider providing military assistance to the Khmer resistance. Regarding your trip to China, the Foreign Minister said the Chinese value their relationship with the US and regard you as firm, warm and sincere. He considered that a visit to Beijing and to Shanghai--which would give you a chance to meet large numbers of people--would be better than "visiting old relics and stones". (S)

2. Atlantic Alliance. Larry Eagleburger met this morning with the British Ambassador. They discussed the intermittent divergence of views between the US and the European allies, the implications for the Alliance, and steps that might be taken to improve consultation and policy coordination. They agreed on the need for more frequent discussions of fundamental issues at the foreign minister level--in an atmosphere free from the operational concerns that usually dominate such meetings. Ambassador Wright stated his personal belief that European involvement in and support for out-of-area objectives are key to the long-term enhancement of Atlantic security cooperation. (S)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : George P. Shultz *GS*

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December 20, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT: Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

Attached is George Shultz's evening report for Monday,
December 19, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
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Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

December 19, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George P. Shultz

1. Evacuation of Dayr al-Qamar. The evacuation of Dayr al-Qamar is continuing. Some 2,000 refugees have already been evacuated in Red Cross busses and an estimated 3,000 more will leave before Christmas--half of them in private cars. In addition, the Israelis have escorted some 2,500 Lebanese Forces (LF) personnel out of the town. Some 5,000 of the town's residents will probably choose to remain in Dayr al-Qamar. These latest figures show that the total number of refugees, residents and militia in the town--12,500--was considerably smaller than Phalange propaganda claims of 20,000 residents and 50,000 refugees. Overall, the evacuation appears to be a success. (C)

2. Evacuation of Plo from Tripoli. There continue to be difficulties in evacuating PLO forces loyal to Arafat from Tripoli. Following Israel's shelling of PLO positions the Greeks informed us their ships would sail for Tripoli this evening and asked that we obtain Israeli assurances that the evacuation would take place unhindered. Following the Greek approach, I sent a message to Prime Minister Shamir informing him of the Greek decision and reminding him of Israel's assurances that it would not interfere with the evacuation. Israel responded quickly that it had informed Greece that Greek ships would come to no harm. Late this afternoon, however, Greece informed us it had reports that Israel had mined Tripoli harbor and, until this issue was resolved, the evacuation would be further delayed. Upon receipt of this message, we immediately contacted the Israelis, who assured us that they had not mined the harbor. We have passed Israel's assurances to the Greeks and are now waiting for the Greek decision to proceed with the evacuation. (S)

3. Meeting with Israeli West Bank/Gaza Coordinator Ben-Eliezer. I met this morning with "Fuad" Ben-Eliezer, Arens' key advisor for the occupied territories, to pursue our effort to improve the quality of local Palestinian life. Ben-Eliezer indicated Israel would cooperate with our initiative as long as Israeli authorities vetted all economic assistance to the Palestinian inhabitants. It was clear that we face tough going on the key objective of persuading the Israelis to permit Palestinian entrepreneurs to undertake infrastructure projects. On the other hand, Ben-Eliezer implied that Israel might show greater flexibility on less ambitious undertakings. (S)

4. Meeting with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ali. I met with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ali tonight to preview your meeting with him on Wednesday. He noted Egyptian concern about the Shamir visit, but stressed we should look ahead for ways to resolve the region's problems. Specifically, he suggested that we work together to synthesize various outstanding peace plans so that we can get the parties to the negotiating table and urged us to encourage Arafat to join the peace process. We agreed on an agenda for our working lunch on Tuesday which will allow us to focus on the peace process, Lebanon, and bilateral issues. (S)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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December 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

SUBJECT: Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

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December 20, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

December 20, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George P. Shultz *WPS*

1. Meeting with Foreign Minister Ali. My luncheon meeting with Ali focussed on the peace process and Lebanon. Ali said that Arafat will visit Cairo on his way to North Yemen and that Mubarak would use this opportunity to press him to support Hussein entering peace negotiations. Ali stressed Egypt wants to get negotiations underway and suggested that reviving the French-Egyptian UN resolution on simultaneous PLO-Israeli recognition would help break the deadlock in the peace process. Ali noted Hussein's speech in Europe calling for an international conference on the Middle East and said we must move quickly to keep Hussein from wavering. On Lebanon, Ali said Egypt is encouraging all factions to support national reconciliation. Ali urged unilateral Israeli withdrawal phased with an LAF buildup as a way to break the deadlock on withdrawal of foreign forces. Ali suggested that by energizing the peace process and beginning Israeli withdrawal, Syria can be isolated politically and forced to withdraw from Lebanon. (S)

2. Crash Site Survey in Laos. Laos has accepted a December 19-22 visit by a team of U.S. military MIA specialists for a preliminary survey of a site at Pakse in southeastern Laos where a C-130 crashed in 1972 with a crew of fifteen. Two were rescued and the remains of one crewman were later recovered but the others are still unaccounted for. We have attempted to establish a pattern of MIA/POW cooperation with the Lao but this is our first access to a crash site. Survey results will determine procedures for a thorough examination of the Pakse site, which we hope can occur in late January. The Lao have yet made no commitment on excavation. (C)

3. Japanese Elections. Japan's Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), and Prime Minister Nakasone personally, sustained a major setback in the December 18 elections. The LDP lost 36 seats but will maintain a working majority of 261 seats (5 over a simple majority) through reinforcement by independent winners who have joined the LDP. The LDP loss is ascribed to a record low voter turnout, poor campaign tactics, and the "ethics" issue centering around former PM Tanaka. We doubt that Nakasone's defense or foreign policies contributed to LDP losses. The LDP took almost 46% of the popular vote, nevertheless, Nakasone's position has been seriously eroded and intra-party bitterness may hamper his ability to form a new cabinet. We do not expect any substantive change in US-Japan relations. Progress on sensitive trade issues and a quickening of the defense pace may face tough sledding. (C)

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FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE
SUBJECT: Secretary Shultz's Evening Report

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

ROBERT C. McFARLAND

Secretary of State's Evening Report

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Attached is George Shultz's evening report for Wednesday, December 21, 1961.

cc: The Vice President
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Casper

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

December 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George P. Shultz *GPS*

1. Further Discussions with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ali on the Peace Process. Foreign Minister Ali confirmed today that Mubarak will meet Arafat when he stops in Egypt Thursday morning. The meeting will occur in Ismailia, a city in the Suez Canal area of Egypt. Arafat will apparently not go to Cairo. Ali noted Mubarak will press Arafat to reach agreement with King Hussein on a formula for resuming autonomy talks. Ali said Egypt would only suggest reviving the French-Egyptian UN initiative if Arafat accepts the principle of a negotiated settlement. In response to Murphy's point that it would not be helped for the U.S. to be faced with a resolution it would have to veto, Ali indicated Egypt was not interested in pressing this idea if the U.S. thought it unproductive. Ali also reiterated that Egypt supports a Palestinian entity associated with Jordan, not a Palestinian state. (SECRET)

2. Swedes Declare Diverted Computer to be War Material. The Swedish Government announced today that the diverted Digital computer, which its officials have been examining, constitutes state of the art technology and "war material" under Swedish law. As a consequence, Swedish import or export licenses will be denied to the "owner." All of the shipments discovered so far--totaling more than 30 tons--will be dispatched to a military base for safekeeping until the Government decides what to do with it. Privately, the Swedes have informed us that the computer and associated material will be returned to us in about a month--after the completion of some legal formalities and following certain analyses which were requested by the West Germans in connection with the computer shipment they intercepted in Hamburg. In the public announcement, the Swedes will say that the Government is considering the issuance of an export license to allow the computer to be reclaimed by the manufacturer (Digital Equipment) or agents acting on the manufacturer's behalf (the USG). Assistant Secretary Burt spoke with Swedish Ambassador Wachtmeister this afternoon to express our satisfaction with the Swedish Government's action. (SECRET)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Dam's Evening Report

Attached is Kenneth Dam's evening report for Thursday,
December 22, 1983.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

Attending Secretary's Evening Report

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Attached is Kennedy's evening report for Thursday, December 22, 1962.

cc: The Vice President
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

December 22, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Kenneth W. Dam, Acting *KWD*

1. Egypt: Arafat-Mubarak Meeting and Israeli Reaction. President Mubarak met with PLO Chairman Arafat in Cairo today, at Arafat's request. Arafat is reported as saying that it is not reasonable to expect Egypt to cancel the Camp David Accords and advising the Arab states to deal with Egypt in a realistic manner. Foreign Minister Ali told us that Mubarak intended to press Arafat to support Hussein's entering peace negotiations. He also said he would find an occasion during his December 22 stop in New York to publicly reaffirm Egypt's support of Camp David and the Reagan initiative in order to ensure there is no misunderstanding about Arafat's visit to Cairo.

Under instructions from Shamir, Israeli Ambassador Rosenne complained strongly to Larry Eagleburger today that our characterization of the Mubarak-Arafat meeting as an encouraging development resuscitates and rebuilds Arafat as a political factor in the Middle East. Rosenne argued that this will frighten Arab moderates away from the peace process and asked that we approach the Egyptians about the meeting. Larry made clear that we looked at the meeting as a possible step in the direction of moving Arafat via the Egyptians toward supporting a move by Hussein to the peace table.

2. South Africa/Mozambique: First Steps Toward Peaceful Coexistence. Cabinet officials from South Africa and Mozambique met in Swaziland on December 20 to discuss possible steps for controlling cross border violence. The U.S. had been pushing both sides toward this exchange because a reduction in the tension between them is a prerequisite to our effort to undercut the Soviet position in southern Africa. According to the South Africans, the Mozambicans demonstrated the political willingness for a modus vivendi and appeared ready to "bite the bullet" in their relations with the USSR. The meeting was thus a significant U.S. accomplishment. It caps fourteen months of a carefully paced policy of expanding economic and political ties with Mozambique to pry it away from the Soviet embrace and push it toward nonalignment. In mid-January we will begin planning with the Portuguese on steps to secure Mozambique in its new direction.

3. Meeting with Arms Control Commissioner. I met today with FRG Arms Control and Disarmament Commissioner Fred Ruth, who said it was important during 1984 to maintain the initiative on arms control gained over the past year and to present arms control as a visible cooperative effort. We agreed that pride, not substance, was keeping the Soviets away from the table, and it was important to make this point in public. Ruth was confident that the Soviets would return. He believes that the West, without offering the Soviets anything, should evaluate its own ideas of the relationship between INF and START to be ready for any proposals the Soviets might make about merging the negotiations, and should be prepared to make substantive moves on MBFR.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. McFARLANE *RCM*

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Eagleburger's Evening Report

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cc: The Vice President
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December 23, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Lawrence S. Eagleburger, Acting Secretary

1. Israel and the Jordan Logistics Program. Under Secretary Schneider met with Minister Arens and MFA Director General Kimche in Jerusalem on Wednesday to reinforce our intention to proceed with the Jordan Logistics Program (JLP) and to reiterate our request that if asked by the Hill or others, Israel would indicate it is prepared to assert the program is not a military threat to Israel. The talks highlighted that: 1) Israel is anxious to reach agreement with us and does not want a battle over the JLP, 2) Israel privately agrees that the program does not pose an immediate military threat, 3) but they need our help in defusing what could be a major political issue in Israel once it is known that Israel acquiesced. In the course of the discussions, we indicated to the Israelis that you had agreed to early disbursement of the \$910 million ESF.

During the next week we will be working with the Israelis to craft language that could be used to characterize that they go along with the program, and also reviewing how to handle items in the package in a way which will give Israel an adequate fig leaf to help deflect internal political criticism.

2. Egypt: Mubarak/Arafat Meeting. Mubarak has sent an oral message on his meeting with Arafat. He said he urged Arafat to refrain from terrorism and come out openly for a peaceful solution to the Palestinian issue. Mubarak reiterated our formula for dealing with the PLO, but Arafat did not bite, saying that by accepting the Fez resolutions he had tacitly accepted 242. Mubarak said Arafat told him he planned to call a meeting of the Palestinian National Council next month to force a showdown with his extremist opponents. Following that he would pursue a dialogue with Hussein. In sum, little concrete was accomplished. The Israelis remain strongly critical of the meeting and our reaction to it. Arafat's PLO opponents have also attacked the meeting.

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December 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE *John for*
SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Dam's Evening Report

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Kenneth W. Dam, Acting *KWD*

1. Suriname: Strikes Continue. The political impasse resulting from a second week of strikes by several thousand bauxite workers protesting government tax policy may be at a critical point. The Government has demanded that workers end the strike before substantive negotiations on taxes can begin. Bouterse's inclination to use military force is likely to increase if the strike continues.

The situation in Paramaribo remains calm. As a precaution, however, we have asked the Joint Chiefs to review emergency evacuation plans. We are also sending a security officer to assist the Embassy with emergency actions in case the situation deteriorates further.

2. Philippines: Testimony in Aquino Inquiry. An airlines technician testified before the Aquino investigative board today that the alleged killer (Galman) fingered by the Philippine military was smiling and standing next to a military van when the fatal shot was fired. Although no eye witness has yet come forward to claim that one of the escorting soldiers shot Aquino, the latest testimony goes a very long way in undermining the Government's account of the murder and will fuel the widespread public cynicism about the Government's role in it.

3. Syria: Syrian Ambassador on Jackson Trip. The Syrian Ambassador called on Assistant Secretary Murphy to assure the U.S. Government that the Syrian government had not issued any invitation to Jesse Jackson, but had merely agreed to his request to be received. Jackson has told the Syrians he will personally go to Damascus only if he receives a guarantee that he will meet with Assad and that Goodman will be released to him. Syria will not guarantee this unless Jackson brings a U.S. Government commitment to discontinue reconnaissance flights over Syrian positions. Murphy told the Ambassador that the reconnaissance flights were essential to the security of our Marines in Lebanon, and would continue.

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December 30, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Dam's Evening Report

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cc: The Vice President
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December 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Kenneth W. Dam, Acting *KWD*

1. Jackson's Trip to Damascus. The Reverend Jesse Jackson has confirmed to Larry Eagleburger that he will leave for Syria this evening, December 29. The Syrians have told Jackson that he will see Assad and Goodman, and that he should just "trust them" regarding Goodman's release. Ambassador Paganelli will meet Jackson as a courtesy upon arrival in Damascus. Paganelli will offer to provide appropriate Embassy briefings and other assistance, but is fully aware of the private nature of Jackson's visit. We understand that the Syrian Government will handle logistical details.

2. Israeli Economic Problems and Proposed "Settlement Freeze." The state of the Israeli economy is sparking considerable unrest in Israel with public opinion polls indicating that a majority of Israelis believe the Government has lost control of the economy. Political circles are increasingly convinced that the issue of the economy may bring down the Shamir Government, perhaps with a Shimon Peres-led national unity government to follow. U.S.-Israeli economic consultations are scheduled January 23-24.

The Cabinet meets Friday afternoon to consider an "economic program," which we expect will be a potpourri of expenditure and revenue measures as well as possible exchange rate changes. There are reports that the plan calls for freezing public expenditures on settlement activity (in the context of a general freeze on capital projects). A recent Pori poll indicates for the first time a plurality of Israelis (48 percent to 36 percent) are opposed to continued settlement activity. The adoption of a settlement freeze, however, is unlikely.

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FROM:

Kenneth W. Dam, Acting *KWD*

1. Congressional Attitudes Towards Lebanon. I invited Senator Tower to breakfast this morning to discuss with him his trip to Egypt, Lebanon and other countries in the Middle East scheduled for January 3. Don Rumsfeld was also present.

Tower stressed rising Congressional concern over the situation in Lebanon, which he believes reflects public attitudes and not simply media hype. He considers he has obligations towards the Marines in his capacity as Chairman of the Armed Services Committee, and he is taking the trip to inform himself, to be ready to handle the matter in the Senate.

The Senator agrees that a precipitous withdrawal of the Marines would be disastrous from many points of view but made clear his feeling that the Congressional tide is rising, augmented by election year jitters, against the present participation and position of Marines. He said he is beginning to get weak-kneed himself and commented that the President's conservative constituency which normally supports the President's foreign policy is dropping away on this one. He said the matter boils down to two questions: Are our objectives in Lebanon achievable, and can we achieve them at a price we are willing to pay?

Tower argued that Congress needs to see more aggressive diplomacy by our allies, and more public reenforcement by allies of U.S. efforts. He offered to be helpful to Rumsfeld on his mission.

2. Philippine Financial Situation. The President of Manufacturers Hanover, Harry Taylor, called on me on behalf of bankers with major exposure in the Philippines to register deep concern that a foreign exchange float, on which the IMF is insisting, will not be successful unless the Philippines get about \$500 million in additional assistance. Nobody knows where this kind of assistance can come from. The IMF needs to be satisfied on the float before it will give its approval to a standby, which in turn will eventually release \$3.3 billion in much needed new credits for the Philippines. We will be consulting with Treasury about the problems raised by Taylor. Earlier in the day, Philippine Prime Minister Virata called on me to explain the Philippine situation, express appreciation for the U.S. Government's assistance to date, and to lobby for new money for his country.

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December 31, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
From: Kenneth W. Dam, Acting *KWD*
Subject: Military Takeover in Nigeria

In what appears to have a successful military coup, the Nigerian government headed by President Shagari was overthrown today. The General who announced the formation of a successor military government decried the failure of the Shagari Government to address Nigeria's economic and social problems and charged the former regime with gross corruption. There was no indication of the composition of the new government, possibly because it is still being formed. The forced retirement of military service chiefs, together with the rank of the coup spokesman, suggest that the leadership comes from among the army's generals and colonels, a group of free market economic persuasion and nationalistic but westward leaning political orientation. Significantly, there has been no public criticism of foreign powers or of foreign investment in Nigeria, two themes dear to the West's opponents.

President Shagari's announcement last week that further austerity would be required to address Nigeria's staggering economic problems was almost certainly one of the proximate causes of the coup. Popular reaction to the coup in the Lagos area, inhabited largely by regime opponents, seems to be positive. We want to avoid provoking suspicion and possible retaliation against American lives and interests and also to give Nigeria's new rulers the chance to clarify what is to become of the constitution they have "suspended". Consequently we are muting, at least for the moment, our disappointment at the shelving of Nigeria's experiment with democracy, an effort you gave your personal support in your congratulatory call to Shagari after his re-election. The British, whom we have consulted together with the French, also believe that western interests will be best served by treading lightly the next few days.

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