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# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING:

DATE:

SUBJECT:

2/10/82

Caribbean Basin

9:40 - 11:30 Cabinet Room PARTICIPANTS:

The President

The Vice President

State:

Acting Sec Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.

Amb Thomas Enders

Amb John W. Middendorf

Treasury:

Secretary Donald T. Regan

OSD:

Acting Sec Frank C. Carlucci

Commerce:

Secretary Malcolm H. Baldrige

OMB:

CIA:

Mr. William Casey

USUN:

Amb Jeane J. Kirkpatrick

USTR:

Amb William E. Brock III

JCS:

Admiral Thomas B. Hayward

Lt Gen Paul F. Gorman

White House:

Mr. Edwin Meese III

Mr. James A. Baker III

Mr. Michael K. Deaver

Judge William P. Clark

Mr. Robert C. McFarlane

Mr. Richard G. Darman

NSC:

Mr. Henry Nau

Mr. Roger Fontaine

Col Michael Wheeler

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# MEMORANDUM

2/5/82

TO:

WILLIAM CLARK

FROM:

GREGORY NEWELL

SUBJ:

APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

PLEASE IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING AND NOTIFY AND CLEAR ALL PARTICIPANTS. THE BRIEFING PAPER AND REMARKS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO RICHARD DARMAN BY 3 P.M. OF THE PRECEDING DAY.

MEETING: Time reserved for NSC meetings:

Febr. 10

9:30 am l hour Cabinet Room

Febr. 11

2:30 pm l hour Cabinet Room

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PARTICIPATION:

cc: A. Bakshian

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Joe Canzari

NSPG from 9:30 - 11:30

Carol/Mike:

John Poindexter called with the following message:

WPC talked with Secretary Regan re the meetings next week. He will not be available at the time scheduled for the NSC mtg on Libya and very much wants to be there. The Judge told him we would switch the agenda items; i.e., CBI on Wednesday and Libya on Thursday.

John said that he needs to first determine if we will be ready for an NSC meeting on CBI on Wednesday.

MW: Please call John to discuss.

JWL

Kathy  $\sqrt{2/5}$  p.m

let's discuss

MWG

February 10, 1982 (Caribbean Basin)

# INVITEES FOR MEETING 2-8-82

McFarlane to Chair State - Enders OSD - Sanchez

OSD - Sanchez JCS - Gorman CIA -

NSC - Fontaine/Nau

Wheeler

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# INVITEES FOR NSC 2-10-82

Vice President - Secretary of State Secretary of the Treasury Secretary of Defense Secretary of Commerce Director, Office of Management & Budget Director of Central Intelligence United States Repre to the United Nations United States Trade Representative Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Judge William P. Clark Mr. Edwin Meese III Mr. James A. Baker III Mr. Michael K. Deaver

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The Attorney General

Informed on NSC:

Geoff Kemp

# Informed on NSC:

Henry Nau Roger Fontaine Charles Tyson

# Should the Following be invited:

Secretary of Agricuture
Secretary of Labor
Secretary of Transportation
Secretary of Interior
Secretary of Energy
Administrator, Agency for
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President, Export-Import Bank

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### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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February 9, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR BUD MCFARLANE

FROM:

MIKE WHEELER WID

SUBJECT:

Attendance List for the National Security Council

Meeting, February 10, 1982

The following officials plan to attend the National Security Council Meeting which is scheduled for February 10, 1982, at 9:30 a.m. in the Cabinet Room on Caribbean Basin. (C)

The Vice President

Admiral Daniel J. Murphy (The Chief of Staff to the Vice President)

Acting Secretary Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.

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OSD:

Acting Secretary Frank C. Carlucci

Dr. Fred C. Ikle (Under Secretary for Policy)

Treasury:

Mr. Marc E. Leland (Assistant Secretary for International Affairs) Sec Regar

Commerce:

Secretary Malcolm H. Baldrige

Mr. Lionel Olmer (Under Secretary for International Trade)

OMB:

Mr. Ed Harper (Deputy Director)

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USTR:

Amb William E. Brock III

JCS:

Admiral Thomas B. Hayward (Acting Chairman)

Lt General Paul F. Gorman

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#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

January 22, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

CHARLES P. TYSON

HENRY R. NAU

ROGER W. FONTAINE

SUBJECT:

Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI)

The Trade Policy Committee has now met twice to decide on various aspects of the Caribbean Basin Initiative. It plans no further meetings. Parts of the Initiative are still being completed.

A foreign policy initiative of this magnitude should come to the NSC. The Trade Policy Committee is not even a Cabinetlevel body. Darman has told Brock and Enders that the Cabinet Council on Commerce and Trade would meet on the issue. Others have mentioned the Cabinet Council on Economic Affairs. This is the type of confusion we do not need. The CBI is primarily a national security, not a domestic or purely economic, initiative.

The NSC meeting, which the President always chairs (unlike the domestic councils) would serve:

- to force final completion of all parts of the Initiative (the meeting would not reopen any issues, since there are no current disagreements at agency level);
- to give the Initiative the approval of the highest national security decision-making body in the U.S. government;
- to consider subsequent steps, to include a Presidential speech announcing the Initiative and the development and implementation of a legislative strategy to secure its passage on the Hill.

As I recommended last week and you approved (see Tab II), you should call Brock and Haig to place this item on the agenda

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of a forthcoming NSC meeting. The item would not require much time. The NSC meeting on February 8 may be appropriate.

RECOMMENDATION: That you call Haig and Brock to put the Caribbean Basin Initiative on the agenda for the NSC meeting on February 8 (or other appropriate date). Talking points are attached (Tab I).

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### Attachments

Tab I Talking Points

II January 18 memo to you re TPC meeting of Jan. 19

## TALKING POINTS

- -- The Trade Policy Committee has done a remarkable job in pulling together over many months the various pieces of the Caribbean Basin Initiative.
- -- There are, as I understand, only a few remaining loose ends and no major interagency differences. Since this is a major foreign policy initiative, it is now important that the President, who blessed this initiative at an initial NSC meeting last spring, approve the Initiative at the highest level of decision-making for national security affairs.
- -- I would like to place the CBI item on the agenda for the NSC meeting on February 8.
- -- At this meeting, we could ensure that all parts of the Initiative are completed, decide whether and when the President will make a speech launching the Initiative, and discuss follow-up steps to draft the legislation and to steer the CBI package through the Congress.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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January 18, 1982

## ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

HENRY R. NAULIO

SUBJECT:

Trade Policy Committee Meeting, January 19,

3:00 p.m.

The Trade Policy Committee holds its second meeting on the Caribbean Basin Initiative at 3:00 p.m. tomorrow, January 19. It will review and approve measures to compensate Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands for any adverse impact of the CBI on their development. (See paper attached at Tab I.)

Our only concern with these measures is that they not dilute or take away the benefits of the Free Trade area from Caribbean Basin countries. Puerto Rico, for example, originally requested that rum be excluded from the FTA because it feared competition from Caribbean countries in exporting rum to the United States. So far the United States has refused to exclude rum, offering instead to rebate additional excise taxes to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands collected on rum. However, if OMB or subsequently Congress does not go along with the rebate proposal, Brock is proposing to exclude rum from the This is dangerous, since every trade interest in town will then descend upon the CBI to exclude products. Similarly, the present package promises to study a special safequard mechanism for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, if the latter request it. Almost certainly they will request it and we will then be under great pressure to alter the safeguard mechanism. Once altered for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, we would have to do the same for the U.S. mainland.

I assume you will not be able to attend the meeting. If you concur, I will raise these points on your behalf. I have done so already with USTR staff.

I also think it would be advisable for you to telephone Brock later in the week to arrange to put the CBI package on the NSC agenda. Darman has told Enders that the issue will be considered at a joint Cabinet Council for Commerce and Trade/NSC meeting. Have you concurred in this?

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# RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That you approve the points to be raised on the Puerto Rican and Virgin Islands aspects of the CBI.

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2. That you confer with Brock and Haig and decide on an NSC meeting to pull the CBI package together for formal presentation and approval by the President.

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# Attachment

Tab I TPC/CBI paper from USTR

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#### AGENDA

#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

#### CABINET ROOM

9:30-11:30 A.M.

Wednesday, February 10, 1982

# CARIBBEAN BASIN

- I. Introduction of Issues Judge Clark
- II. Intelligence Update William Casey
- III. Military Threat/Military Requirements in the Area Admiral Hayward
  - IV. Economic Requirements Bill Brock
  - V. Regional Strategy Tom Enders
  - VI. Presidential Speech Judge Clark
    - A. Rationale for Speech
    - B. Elements of Speech
      - 1. Economic
      - 2. Political
      - 3. Security
- VII. Recommendations for Subsequent Decision

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# Presidential Speech on the Caribbean

# I. Threats to US Interests

The Caribbean Basin is an area of critical importance to the United States.

- -- It represents a key route for oil flow to the US.
- -- The Panama Canal carries a substantial percentage of maritime commerce.
- -- The region contains a vast reservoir of minerals and other resources needed for the economic health of the West.
- -- The region represents a testing ground for US ability to protect its acknowledged vital interests.
- -- Economic underdevelopment and the absence of strong political institutions have created conditions in which externally sponsored subversion and aggression threaten the region. Poverty and political disaffection allow military subversion from the Soviet Union and its clients, Cuba and Nicaragua. Economic and political development can only occur in a stable and secure environment. In the near term, problems of subversion must be met immediately and the seeds for longer-term political and economic development must be sown simultaneously.

# II. Regional Objectives

Our overall regional objective is to promote peaceful change, security and stability in the Caribbean Basin, and to ensure that external forces hostile to US interests are excluded. Underdevelopment is the long-term problem of the region; subversion is the short-term threat. Hence, there is a minimum requirement for security in the region, behind which our efforts can go forward to promote the economic development and strengthening of political institutions of these countries.

### III. US Strategy

To respond to these threats, our strategy must proceed along three basic lines. The economic and political measures attack the fundamental problem; the security actions attack subversion which threatens the development process.

- A. Acceleration of economic development in friendly states
  - -- The Caribbean Basin Initiative serves this purpose.

B. Enhancing the evolution of political democracy

Our efforts center on support for free and internationally credible elections in all states, particularly in El Salvador in March. Other measures in this area include:

- -- Radio Marti
- -- Strong support for Central American community
- -- Carrying our message to our friends and Allies

# C. Regional security

In this area our efforts are designed to address the near-term problems first. Measures include specific initiatives designed to strengthen military capabilities of friendly governments in the region and at the same time to provide powerful disincentives for Cuba and Nicaragua to continue to export subversion.

# IV. Implementation

Our objectives in these measures require a phased program of implementation. We will in the course of the next few weeks submit legislation to Congress to help in the areas of economic development and the evolution of political democracy. This approach to fundamental problems in the region should be given center stage in our presentation to Congress and the public. At the same time we will begin a series of increasingly strong measures to ensure that the region is sufficiently secure and stable to allow economic growth and political development.

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February 11, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES A. BAKER III

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Legislative and Public Affairs Strategies

for Caribbean Basin

From the discussion at yesterday's NSC meeting, it is clear that there are a number of strands of policy which will require a vigorous and yet sensitive promotional effort both publicly and on the Hill. The first step would appear to be the formation of working groups, under your cognizance, to propose legislative and public affairs strategies for your consideration.

As you know, Tom Enders has already formed a management group which brings together State, Defense, Treasury, STR and others to handle substantive policy coordination. This group needs the advice and counsel of knowledgeable White House professionals from the legislative and communications offices. To move out on this I would propose that you might assign someone from Ken Duberstein's shop to work with Enders' Working Group in the development of strategy for your consideration and ultimate approval. Ken's representative would continue to provide direction to the Group's (State and Defense) legislative activities subject always to your guidance and supervision.

Similarly, there is much to do in the area of public affairs. To assure the necessary sensitivity and professionalism, I recommend that you assign someone from Dave Gergen's office to work with the Enders group to infuse it with your guidance and Dave's so as to get the President's policy presented in the proper fashion in terms of both timing and substance.

As you know, this is an urgent matter. Opinion nationally and centers of opposition in the Congress are already well formed. We need to get moving in both these areas. Could I ask for your views today?

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February 6, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT:

Public Affairs/Legislative Strategy

Subcommittee

Attached at Tab A is a memo to Jim Baker outlining the need and structure of a legislative strategy group and public affairs group designed to get our Central America/Caribbean legislation on the books and sensitize public opinion to the threat we face.

Roger Fontaine, Henry Nau, Richard Childress concur.

RECOMMENDATION

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Tab A - Memo to Jim Baker

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES A. BAKER III

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Legislative and Public Affairs Strategies

for Caribbean Basin

Do follow-up on your earlier conversation with Bud McFarlane, let me amplify our proposals for managing the legislative and public affairs strategies for our various Caribbean Basin programs. What I propose will in no way undercut your oversight and management responsibilities.

We need to move quickly to implement the President's policies. A critical component of any successful policy is the orchestration of our legislative and public affairs apparatus. I propose that we establish close liaison between the Interagency Management Group, which is charged with overall program implementation, and your Legislative Strategy Group and Dave Gergen's public affairs office. What we need is an individual to be designated from each of these groups to coordinate directly with the Management Group to develop legislative and public affairs strategies. These strategies, and their various components, would then be submitted to the Legislative Strategy Group and to Dave Gergen for approval. This will ensure that these strategies fit in with other actions underway in your respective offices.

As you can see from the <u>Washington Post</u> and from the Congressional reaction to Tom Enders' testimony, we are facing a major effort to undermine our initiatives in the Caribbean, particularly in Central America. This effort is now reaching crisis proportions and may soon be beyond repair. We need to move quickly and decisively to reverse these adverse trends.

I strongly urge you to approve this suggested liaison effort so that we can move out vigorously implementing and explaining the President's policies.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE THOMAS O. ENDERS
Assistant Secretary for Inter American Affairs
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THE HONORABLE FRANCIS J. WEST, JR. Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs

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SUBJECT:

Management Group Meeting

The Caribbean Basin Management Group will meet at 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 5, in the White House Situation Room. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the strategy paper and to develop recommendations for the agenda for the forthcoming NSC meeting.

Michael O. Wheeler Colonel, USAF Staff Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL WHEELER

FROM:

ROGER FONTAINE

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SUBJECT:

Management Group Meeting

The Caribbean Basin Management Group plans to meet at 5:00 p.m. on February 5 in the Situation Room. The necessary coordination has been effected and the Situation Room

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes this meeting.

### RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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February 9, 1982

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February 6, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Alexander M. Haiq, Jr.

SUBJECT:

Strategy for Central America and

the Caribbean

You have now approved key elements—immediate and long-term—for a comprehensive response to the threat we face in the Caribbean Basin region. These elements are:

- -- major trade and investment proposals in the Carıbbean Basin Initiative;
- -- Emergency economic assistance for key countries (El Salvador, Costa Rica, Jamaica, etc.)
- -- Increased military assistance for El Salvador and other countries to meet the immediate security threat; and
- -- A firm line toward Cuba (tightening the embargo, cutting down Cuban representation, strengthening our air defense, etc.)

We have established a senior level interagency group to coordinate implementation.

However, one further step is essential to success: the American people must be told (1) the seriousness of the threat we face to our vital interests in the Basin and (2) the need to move promptly and effectively to counter it. Only you can do this. Without your direct leadership, we will not be able to obtain the CBI authorities and emergency economic assistance from the Congress. Morever, the rising media campaign against our policy toward El Salvador will, unless countered quickly, destroy our fragile support in the Congress and cripple our policy.

Time is short. The Congress recesses at the end of next week. We must make our case to the public before the recess or just after it begins. If Congress returns without our having given an overall strategic framework for our program, members will be locked into opposition by media-fed constituent pressure.

Therefore, I recommend in the strongest possible terms that you make a public address on the Caribbean region at the end of next week or early in the week of February 15. Your approach should be moderate in tone and confidence building, but firm. The speech should lay out the threat and explain why we need the following:

- -- the CBI and emergency aid to attack the underlying causes of instability in the region; and
- -- security assistance plus firmness toward Cuba to deal with the immediate security threat.

Cap Weinberger, Bill Casey, Jeane Kirkpatrick, and Bill Brock, agree on the urgent need for your public leadership on this.

We have already begun work on your speech with Bill Clark's people and your speechwriters.

# I. Regional Objectives

Our overall regional objective is to promote peaceful change, security and stability in the Caribbean Basin and to ensure that external forces hostile to US interests are excluded. Under-development is the long-term problem of the region; subversion is the short-term threat. Both must be addressed in order to meet our objectives.

# II. Threats to Regional Stability and Security

Economic underdevelopment and the absence of strong political institutions have created conditions in which externally sponsored subversion and aggression threaten the region. Poverty and political disaffection allow military subversion from the Soviet Union and its clients, Cuba and Nicaragua. The threat is reinforced by the success of the leftist propaganda campaign which has over and over again been telling the "big lie." In the near term, problems of subversion must be met immediately and the seeds for longer-term political and economic development must be sown simultaneously.

# III. US Strategy

To respond to these threats, our strategy must proceed along three basic lines. The economic and political measures attack the fundamental problem; the security actions attack subversion which threatens the development process.

- A. Acceleration of economic development in friendly states
  - -- The Caribbean Basin Initiative serves this purpose.
- B. Enhancing the evolution of political democracy

Our efforts center on support for free and internationally credible elections in all states, particularly in El Salvador in March. Other measures in this area include:

- -- Radio Marti
- -- Strong support for Central American community
- -- Carrying our message to our friends and Allies

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# C. Regional security

In this area our efforts are designed to address the near-term problems first. Measures include specific initiatives designed to strengthen military capabilities of friendly governments in the region and at the same time to provide powerful disincentives for Cuba and Nicaragua to continue to export subversion.

# IV. Implementation

Our objectives in these measures require a phased program of implementation. We will in the course of the next few weeks submit legislation to Congress to help in the areas of economic development and the evolution of political democracy. This approach to fundamental problems in the region should be given center stage in our presentation to Congress and the public. At the same time we will begin a series of increasingly strong measures to ensure that the region is sufficiently secure and stable to allow economic growth and political development.

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Attachments Agenda Background Papers

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Thank you very much. NSC/S dsm

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