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South Korea

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Turkey

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Presidential Determination
No. 82-9

February 18, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Leases of USNS RINCON (TAOG 77) and USNS
PETALUMA (TAOG 79) to the Republic of Korea

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 6 of the
Arms Export Control Act, I hereby determine that:

- o The USNS RINCON (TAOG 77) and USNS PETALUMA (TAOG 79)
are not for the time being needed for public use.
- o There are compelling foreign policy and national
security reasons for providing such Defense articles to
the Government of Korea on a lease basis rather than on
a sales basis.

You, or your delegatee, are authorized and directed to sign
the leases of these Defense articles to the Government of
Korea for a five-year lease period.

You are directed on my behalf to report this determination to
the Congress.

Ronald Reagan

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Presidential Determination
No. 82-8

February 18, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Lease of USS ROBERT A. OWENS (DD 827) to Turkey

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 6 of the Arms Export Control Act, I hereby determine that:

- o The USS ROBERT A. OWENS (DD 827) is not for the time being needed for public use.
- o There are compelling foreign policy and national security reasons for providing such Defense article to the Government of Turkey on a lease basis rather than on a sales basis.

You, or your delegatee, are authorized and directed to sign the lease of this Defense article to the Government of Turkey for a five-year lease period.

You are directed on my behalf to report this determination to the Congress.

Ronald Reagan

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 16, 1982

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *WPC*

SUBJECT: Lease of Three Excess US Navy Ships to Allied Governments

Issue

Need for Presidential certification that there are compelling national security reasons for providing excess US Navy ships by lease rather than by direct sale to Allied governments.

Facts

Department of the Navy intends to lease, at no cost, one Korean war-vintage destroyer to Turkey and two gasoline tankers dating from World War II to the Republic of Korea. To minimize US Navy operating costs and allow for the planned 21 February transfers to take place, Presidential certification of the appropriateness of leasing these ships must take place as soon as possible.

Discussion

Poor economic conditions in Turkey and the need, nonetheless, to bolster collaboration in NATO's southern flank argue strongly for this lease. By leasing instead of selling the two tankers to Korea, the US Navy retains the ability to recall these ships in time of emergency; for this reason a lease arrangement is in the US interest.

Concurrence: OMB and Department of State

Recommendation

That you sign the leasing certifications to the Secretary of Defense at Tab A.

OK No

WPC _____

Attachments

Tab A Certifications to SecDef
Tab B Incoming memorandum from DepSecDef Carlucci

Prepared by:
Richard Levine
Oliver North
Robert Kimmitt



THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

10 FEB 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Lease of USS ROBERT A. OWENS (DD 827) to the Government of Turkey; Leases of USNS RINCON (TAOG 77) and USNS PETALUMA (TAOG 79) to the Republic of Korea

The Department of the Navy proposes to lease three ships to foreign governments: USS ROBERT A. OWENS (DD 827) to the Government of Turkey, USNS RINCON (TAOG 77) and USNS PETALUMA (TAOG 79) to the Republic of Korea. In order to minimize the cost to the Navy of maintaining and operating the ships prior to their transfer, the Navy proposes to transfer the two ships to Korea on 21 February 1982 and the ship to Turkey on 22 February 1982. Notice to the Armed Services Committees required by 10 U.S.C. 7307(b) was provided on 19 August 1980 in the case of USS ROBERT A. OWENS and on 1 April 1981 in the case of USNS RINCON and USNS PETALUMA. Notice to Congress required by Section 62 of the Arms Export Control Act was provided on 21 January 1982. No exception has been taken to any of these leases.

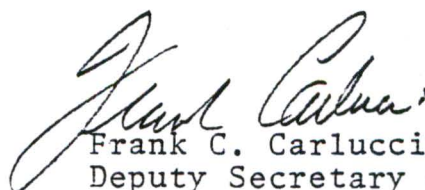
Section 61 requires the President to determine:

- . that there are compelling foreign policy and national security reasons for providing such articles on a lease basis rather than on a sales basis; and
- . the articles are not for the time needed for public use.

The tankers being leased to the Republic of Korea are the subject of contingency planning for naval forces in the Pacific and must be subject to recall by the Navy in the event of an emergency. The destroyer for Turkey is necessary to protect the Southern Region of NATO; economic conditions in Turkey necessitate a lease rather than a sale. None of these three ships will be needed for public use for the duration of the lease.

Based on the foregoing, I recommend that you sign the attached determinations.

Enclosure


Frank C. Carlucci

Deputy Secretary of Defense

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

February 11, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

FROM:

RICHARD LEVINE
OLIVER NORTH

SIGNED

SUBJECT:

Lease of Three Excess US Navy Ships to
Foreign Governments

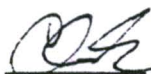
The US Navy proposes to lease three ships, all dating from the '40s, to Allied governments. One destroyer will be leased to Turkey and two gasoline tankers to the Republic of Korea. In the case of the transfer to Turkey, leasing is preferred to a sale because of poor Turkish economic conditions and the need to bolster NATO collaboration. In the case of tankers being transferred to Korea, leasing allows the vessels to still be subject to USN contingency needs in the Pacific.

The Arms Export Control Act mandates that the President determine that there are compelling national security reasons for ships to be transferred on a lease basis rather than by sale. It is of extreme importance that the President sign the attached certifications as quickly as possible in order to ensure USN operating expenses are minimized and that the 21 February 1982 transfer date remains firm, for it cannot be extended.

Concurrence: OMB, State, and Bob Kimmitt, who prepared PDs

RECOMMENDATION

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



Approve

_____ Disapprove

Attachments

Tab I	Memorandum for the President
Tab A	Certifications and Memo to SecDef
Tab B	Incoming memorandum from Deputy SecDef

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BEGIN TEXT:

- JOINT COMMUNIQUE
- OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL
- SECURITY CONSULTATIVE MEETING
- MARCH 31, 1982
- SEOUL, KOREA
- 1. THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SECURITY CONSULTATIVE
MEETING BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA WAS HELD IN SEOUL ON MARCH 30 AND 31,
1982.
- MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE CHOO YOUNG BOCK AND
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER LED THEIR
RESPECTIVE DELEGATIONS, WHICH INCLUDED SENIOR FOREIGN
AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE OFFICIALS OF BOTH COUNTRIES. PRIOR
TO THE MEETING, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
OF THE TWO COUNTRIES PRESIDED OVER THE ROK-U.S. MILITARY
COMMITTEE MEETING ON MARCH 29, 1982.
- SECRETARY WEINBERGER, DURING HIS STAY IN KOREA, PAID
A COURTESY CALL ON PRESIDENT CHUN DOO HWAN. THE SECRETARY
VISITED MAJOR MILITARY BASES AND OBSERVED THE ROK/U.S.
JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE, "TEAM SPIRIT '82."
- 2. ON THE CENTENNIAL OF KOREA-UNITED STATES RELATIONS,
THE TWO DELEGATIONS, NOTING WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE
TRADITIONAL TIES OF SECURITY COOPERATION HAVE BEEN STEADILY
PROMOTED BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, PLEDGED TO DEVELOP
FURTHER SUCH COOPERATIVE RELATIONS IN THE INTERESTS OF THE
PEACE AND STABILITY OF NORTHEAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC
REGION.
- 3. REVIEWING THE SECURITY SITUATION IN ASIA AND THE
PACIFIC AREA WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THE KOREAN PENIN-
SULA, THE TWO DELEGATIONS AGREED IN THEIR APPRAISAL OF THE
THREAT TO SECURITY IN THE REGION. THE DISCUSSION INCLUDED

THE POSSIBLE IMPACT OF THE REGIONAL SITUATION ON THE
SECURITY INTERESTS OF BOTH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND THE
UNITED STATES.

- IN PARTICULAR, MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER
SHARED THE VIEW THAT THE CONTINUING MILITARY BUILD-UP OF
NORTH KOREA AND ITS AGGRESSIVE POSTURE POSED A MAJOR THREAT
TO THE SECURITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AS WELL AS TO
PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE REGION. IN THIS CONNECTION,
THEY HAD FULL DELIBERATIONS ON COMBINED ROK/U.S. MEASURES
TO DEAL EFFECTIVELY WITH THE NORTH KOREAN THREAT.

- 4. THE TWO SIDES REAFFIRMED THAT THE SECURITY OF THE
REPUBLIC OF KOREA IS PIVOTAL TO THE PEACE AND STABILITY OF
NORTHEAST ASIA AND, IN TURN, VITAL TO THE SECURITY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

- SECRETARY WEINBERGER, REAFFIRMING THAT THE UNITED
STATES WILL REMAIN A PACIFIC POWER, REITERATED THE FIRM
COMMITMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO RENDER PROMPT AND
EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE TO REPEL ARMED INVASION AGAINST THE
REPUBLIC OF KOREA--WHICH CONSTITUTES A COMMON DANGER--IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE KOREA-UNITED STATES MUTUAL DEFENSE
TREATY OF 1954. HE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THE UNITED STATES'
NUCLEAR UMBRELLA WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
SECURITY TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

- MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER AGREED THAT
THE REINFORCED U.S. FORCES IN KOREA NOT ONLY ATTEST TO THE
UNITED STATES' FIRM RESOLVE TO HELP DEFEND KOREA, BUT
RENDER A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE PEACE AND
STABILITY OF NORTHEAST ASIA.

- 5. MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER, EXPRESSING
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SATISFACTION WITH THE EFFECTIVE FUNCTIONING OF THE ROK/U.S.
COMBINED FORCES COMMAND, AGREED TO CONTINUE COMMON EFFORTS
TO ENHANCE FURTHER THE ROK/U.S. COMBINED DEFENSE CAPABILI-
TIES.

- SECRETARY WEINBERGER OUTLINED THE ONGOING EFFORTS TO
UPGRADE U.S. GROUND COMBAT FORCES AND DEPLOY A-10'S AND
F-16'S IN KOREA AND PLEDGED TO CARRY ON THE MODERNIZATION
OF U.S. FORCES IN KOREA.

- THE TWO SIDES AGREED TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE THEIR
EARLY WARNING CAPABILITIES, TO BROADEN THE EXCHANGE OF
STRATEGIC INFORMATION AND TO FURTHER DEVELOP ROK/U.S. JOINT
MILITARY EXERCISES.

- 6. MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER REVIEWED
THE PROGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA'S FORCE IMPROVEMENT
PLAN AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE KOREAN DEFENSE INDUSTRY.
MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER, NOTING WITH SATIS-
FACTION THE ROK/U.S. COOPERATION TO DATE IN THIS AREA, HAD
CLOSE CONSULTATIONS ON CONCRETE STEPS TO WIDEN THE SCOPE
OF SUCH COOPERATION.

- SECRETARY WEINBERGER ASSURED MINISTER CHOO THAT,
SUBJECT TO CONSULTATIONS WITH AND THE APPROVAL OF THE
CONGRESS AND OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCIES, THE UNITED STATES
WOULD CONTINUE TO SEEK TO IMPROVE THE TERMS FOR THE PROVI-
SION OF FMS CREDITS TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

- MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER AGREED TO
FURTHER STEP UP MUTUAL COOPERATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
KOREAN DEFENSE INDUSTRY INCLUDING THE USE OF KOREAN
FACILITIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF UNITED STATES DEFENSE
EQUIPMENT.

- 7. MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER AGREED TO
UPDATE AND CONTINUE TO DEVELOP THE CURRENT WARTIME
RESUPPLY REQUIREMENTS STUDY AND JOINTLY TO AUGMENT STOCK-
PILES OF WAR RESERVE MATERIEL WITH A VIEW TO ENHANCING
COMBAT READINESS IN THE EVENT OF A CONTINGENCY ON THE
KOREAN PENINSULA. TO THIS END, THEY SIGNED AN AGREEMENT
COVERING THE EXPEDITIOUS TRANSFER OF WAR MATERIEL TO THE
KOREAN GOVERNMENT IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCY.

- 8. MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER SHARED THE
VIEW THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LASTING

PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA TO EASE TENSIONS AND CREATE
AN ATMOSPHERE FOR NATIONAL RECONCILIATION THROUGH DIALOGUE
BETWEEN THE SOUTH AND THE NORTH OF KOREA.

- PARTICULARLY, SECRETARY WEINBERGER EXPRESSED HIS FULL
SUPPORT FOR THE FAR-REACHING 'PROPOSAL FOR DEMOCRATIC
REUNIFICATION THROUGH NATIONAL RECONCILIATION' PUT FORWARD
BY PRESIDENT CHUN DOO HWAN ON JANUARY 22, 1982.

- 9. BOTH SIDES RECONFIRMED THAT THE EFFECTIVE
FUNCTIONING OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND AS A PEACE
KEEPING MECHANISM HOLDS CONTINUING IMPORTANCE UNTIL ALTER-
NATIVE ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE AGREED UPON TO ENSURE LASTING
PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

- MINISTER CHOO AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER SUPPORTED THE
UNITED NATIONS COMMAND'S PROPOSAL THAT EACH SIDE OF THE
MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION INVITE THE OTHER TO OBSERVE
MAJOR MILITARY EXERCISES ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

- 10. THE TWO DELEGATIONS AGREED TO CONTINUE CLOSE
CONSULTATIONS THROUGH THE YEAR ON SECURITY MATTERS OF
MUTUAL CONCERN.

- BOTH SIDES RECONFIRMED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ANNUAL
SECURITY CONSULTATIVE MEETING AND AGREED TO HOLD THE NEXT
MEETING IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN 1983.

- 11. SECRETARY WEINBERGER EXPRESSED THE SINCERE
APPRECIATION OF THE U.S. DELEGATION FOR THE COURTESY AND
HOSPITALITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND
FOR THE EXCELLENT ARRANGEMENTS WHICH LED TO A PRODUCTIVE
AND SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

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B-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]

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B-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]

B-7 Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]

B-8 Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]

B-9 Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

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