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WASHINGTON

December 27, 1985

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION LIST

SUBJECT: Crisis Pre-Planning Group Meeting (CPPG)  
Room 208, Old Executive Office Building (U)

There will be a CPPG meeting in the Cordell Hull Conference Room, Old Executive Office Building (OEOB) at either 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 28 or 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 30, 1985. This meeting is scheduled to discuss the U.S. response to terrorist attacks in Rome and Vienna. The date of the meeting will be determined by the availability of information on responsibility for the Rome and Vienna attacks, and will be relayed by telephone on Saturday morning, December 28. Attached at Tab A is the meeting agenda. The list of participants is at Tab B. (S)



Donald R. Fortier  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs

Attachments

- Tab A - Agenda
- Tab B - List of Participants

Distribution

- Michael H. Armacost (State)
- Fred C. Ikle (DoD)
- Robert M. Gates (CIA)
- MGen John Moellering (JCS)
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CRISIS PRE-PLANNING GROUP

CORDELL HULL CONFERENCE ROOM  
ROOM 208 - OLD EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING  
Saturday, December 28 or Monday, December 30, 1985  
10:00 a.m.

U.S. RESPONSE TO TERRORIST ATTACKS IN ROME AND VIENNA

Agenda

- |       |   |                   |
|-------|---|-------------------|
| I.    | Intelligence Update                         | CIA               |
|       | o Status of casualties                      |                   |
|       | o Responsibility                            |                   |
| II.   | Diplomatic Update                           | State             |
|       | o Allies                                    |                   |
|       | o Consultations with Israel                 |                   |
| III.  | Status of U.S. Forces                       | Defense           |
| IV.   | U.S. Options                                | All               |
|       | o Non-military response                     |                   |
|       | o Limited Retaliation against Libya         |                   |
|       | o Decisive Action against Libya             |                   |
| V.    | Other Considerations                        | All               |
|       | o Coordination with Egypt, Israel, or Italy |                   |
|       | o Timing and risks                          |                   |
|       | o Impact on peace process                   |                   |
|       | o Soviet reaction                           |                   |
| VI.   | Congressional Dimension                     | State/<br>Defense |
|       | o War Powers                                |                   |
| VII.  | Public Affairs                              | All               |
| VIII. | Conclusion and Recommendations              | NSC               |

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NSC

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Howard R. Teicher  
James R. Stark  
Oliver L. North

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Plus One

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re: US Respons  
to terrorist  
attacks in  
Rome &  
Vienna

To: Officer-in-charge  
Appointments Center  
Room 060, OEOB

December 28, 1985

Please admit the following appointments on \_\_\_\_\_, 19 42979  
for Donald Fortier of NSC  
(NAME OF PERSON TO BE VISITED) (AGENCY)

State:  
Michael Armacost

ROBERT B. OAKLEY  
ARNOLD L. RAPHEL

Defense:  
Fred C. Ikle  
Richard Armitage

Bob Earl

CIA:  
Richard Kerr

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LtGen John Moellering  
VADM Huntington Hardisty

OVP:  
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White House:  
Donald Fortier

NSC:  
Rodney B. McDaniel  
Howard Teicher  
James R. Stark  
Oliver L. North

MEETING LOCATION

Building OEOB  
Room No. 208  
Time of Meeting 10:00

Requested by Cathy Bergeron  
Room No. gfl/ww Telephone 2224  
Date of request 12-27-85

Additions and/or changes made by telephone should be limited to five (5) names or less.

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SUBJECT: TERRORIST ATTACK AT VIENNA AIRPORT -  
- SITREP NO. 1

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 0910 LOCAL TIME TODAY (DECEMBER 27), UNIDENTIFIED TERRORISTS REPORTEDLY CARRIED OUT AN ATTACK IN THE DEPARTURE LOUNGE OF VIENNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THE ATTACK APPARENTLY INVOLVED THE USE OF FIREARMS AND GRENADES AND WAS DIRECTED AGAINST THE ISRAELI AIRLINE EL AL WHICH HAD, ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, A FLIGHT ABOUT TO DEPART FOR NEW YORK. THE ISRAELI CHARGE HAS HEARD UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT THERE ARE TWO OR THREE PERSONS DEAD AND TWO EL AL SECURITY PERSONNEL SLIGHTLY INJURED. THERE ARE CONFLICTING REPORTS CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF TERRORISTS INVOLVED AND THE NUMBER OF VICTIMS, DEAD AND WOUNDED. ACCORDING TO AUSTRIAN POLICE SOURCES, ONE TERRORIST WAS KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED IN A GUNFIGHT WITH POLICE NEAR SCHWARDORF IN THE VICINITY OF THE AIRPORT. LTC COLUCCI OF EMBASSY DAO HAS REPORTED BY PHONE FROM THE AIRPORT THAT ONE TERRORIST WAS KILLED AT THE SCENE OF ATTACK, ONE WOUNDED AND ANOTHER KILLED WHILE ESCAPING FROM THE AIRPORT. HE BELIEVES THAT THERE WERE TWO BYSTANDERS KILLED AND 14 WOUNDED. THERE IS NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE THAT INDICATES THAT ANY AMERICANS WERE INVOLVED.

2. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE REPORTED AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.  
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E. O. 12356: N/A  
TAGS: PTER, ASEC, IT  
SUBJECT: TERRORIST INCIDENT AT ROME AIRPORT

1. AT ABOUT 9:10 LOCAL TIME A FIREFIGHT BROKE OUT BETWEEN TERRORISTS ON THE ONE HAND AND EL AL AND ITALIAN AGENTS ON THE OTHER, AT ROME'S FUMICINO AIRPORT. ITALIAN MEDIA REPORT AS MANY AS 17 KILLED, INCLUDING THREE TERRORISTS. ONE OF THE KILLED IS REPORTEDLY AMERICAN. AIRPORT IS CLOSED. RSO AND OTHER EMBOFFS ARE NOW AT AIRPORT AND HOSPITALS; FULLER REPORTS FOLLOW.

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ATTACK AGAINST EL AL -- as of 0930 EST 27 Dec

ROME

- o Press reports total 16 dead - 3 terrorists included; up to 50 wounded
- o Five Americans are in the hospital
- o The Israeli embassy in Rome says most of the injured were waiting to board El Al flight 385 for Tel Aviv.
- o No claim for attack has been issued.

VIENNA

- o PLO spokesman officially condemns attack; says it can only hurt PLO relations with Vienna and Rome; denies any involvement.
- o Total 3 dead - 1 terrorist, 2 passengers; at least 40 injured including three policemen.
- o No Americans killed.
- o Two terrorists captured.
- o No claim for attack; police say the three terrorists appeared to be Arabs.

ISRAEL

- o According to press, Defense Minister Rabin links today's attack to the missiles deployed in Lebanon; also blames Palestinian guerrillas.
- o Deputy Prime Minister Levi said the organization responsible will not go unpunished.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

December 27, 1985

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MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM: OLIVER L. NORTH

SUBJECT: Presidential Telephone Call to Vic and Daniela  
Simpson

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum for the President requesting he call Vic and Daniela Simpson to give his sympathy for the murder of their daughter, Natasha and his get well wishes to them and their son, Michael. The Simpsons are currently in Sant'Eugenio Hospital in Rome. Michael was shot and is in shock and Mr. and Mrs. Simpson are in for minor injuries.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve the recommended telephone call.

Approve \_\_\_\_\_

Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

Attachment

Tab I - Presidential Telephone Request

TAB

I

## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Vic and Daniela Simpson, Victims of Terrorist Incident in Rome

DATE: December 27, 1985

RECOMMENDED BY: John M. Poindexter

PURPOSE: To express sympathy to the family of Vic and Daniela Simpson, parents of Michael (who was shot and is in shock) and Natasha (who was murdered). All family members are presently in the Sant'Eugenio Hospital.

SECURE or OPEN: Open Line call

INTERPRETER: None required

PHONE NUMBER: 396 678 7969 (No room number available)

CONTACT PERSON: Vic or Daniela Simpson

TIME DIFFERENCE: Six hours

SUGGESTED TIME:

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION: 1. Express your sympathy for the loss of their daughter, Natasha and your best wishes for their quick recovery.

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DONALD FORTIER TO THE PRESIDENT, RE: CPPG  
MEETING ON U.S. RESPONSE TO RECENT  
TERRORIST ATTACKS, DECEMBER 28, 1985

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REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

S/S Officer: Rick H van Heumen

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Department of State, July 21, 1988  
By clb NARA, USA, 9/19/08

## TERRORISM: THEME PAPER

-- The attacks on the Rome and Vienna Airports were deliberately intended to indiscriminately kill innocent people. Their motive was murder, pure and simple.

-- The prime suspect for the attack is the Abu Nidal group, which is among the most dangerous of the Middle Eastern terrorist organizations. The indiscriminate attack, the choice of targets, preliminary evidence, and method of operation point to Abu Nidal, a renegade Palestinian group.

-- Abu Nidal's group are vicious criminals and should be branded and treated as such. These are murderers, who go out of their way to target civilians and have attacked and killed many Arabs as well as Israelis, Americans and Europeans.

-- Abu Nidal's group's actions illustrate the widespread nature of the international terrorism threat--it is not just an Israeli or American or Italian or Austrian problem. His group has staged attacks in 18 countries on three continents. About two thirds of the group's 20 attacks so far this year have taken place in western Europe. Innocent bystanders increasingly have become casualties as in the Rome and Vienna attacks.

-- Abu Nidal, and many other terrorist groups have benefited from, and perhaps could not have survived without, the assistance of countries which have supported terrorism. The weapons, explosives, training and rest areas, safe houses and other facilities have been invaluable.

-- As Prime Minister Craxi of Italy said Friday, "the states which protected the terrorists and allowed them to arm and organize themselves bear responsibility for this attack." We welcome and support this statement.

-- Abu Nidal has enjoyed the support of at least several countries this year; Syria and now primarily Libya. For years we have been leading an effort to exert economic and political pressures on countries supporting terrorism. We have imposed economic sanctions against Libya, for example, such as cutting off the sale of militarily-useful aircraft and spare parts and oil pumping equipment.

-- Unfortunately these efforts to make Libya and other countries supporting terrorism think twice and end their support have not been as effective as they should be because other countries, including some in Western Europe, have been unwilling to take similar steps. One reason they cite is a fear that their companies will lose business.

-- Terrorism, however, is not only dangerous to individuals and countries, it is a major economic burden and bad for business. Greece has lost an estimated \$300 million in tourism revenues as a result of the TWA hijackings and the attacks by terrorists on hotels frequented by British tourists. Egypt's tourism industry is also suffering as a result of terrorism in the region. Terrorism is costing governments, airlines and private organizations millions, if not billions of dollars in security measures.

-- Terrorism threats also undermine efforts of developing countries to promote political and economic stability.

-- The terrorism is also a challenge to the peace process. Many of the actions we have witnessed in recent months were calculated to undermine the peace process and have been directed against Arabs and Palestinian Arabs who want peace through compromise, as well as Israelis and Americans. If the peace process fails, the terrorists win; a just and lasting peace will create an environment in which terrorists have no scope for action. Abu Nidal and his colleagues are against the peace process. They are rejectionists who advocate not only the destruction of Israel, but also the established order in the Arab world.

-- Earlier this year, they staged attacks on at least a half a dozen Jordanian targets including an effort to shoot down a Jordanian airliner over Athens in April, because of King Hussein's efforts to advance the peace process. They are opponents of the PLO's Arafat and have been implicated in the assassination of moderate Palestinians. Abu Nidal's group shot the Israeli Ambassador to London in June 1982. Abu Nidal's group also is believed to have hijacked the Egyptian airliner to Malta in November.

-- The terrorist attacks and the resulting cycle of violence only harden attitudes, increase fear, and make it more difficult for moderates to take risks toward the kind of compromises that are necessary for peace in the Middle East. That is what the terrorists want. That is why they must be condemned by all and rooted out.

-- There has been an unfortunate tendency in the past to tolerate terrorists who kill and maim civilians on behalf of some political cause, under the slogan of "armed struggle". No cause can justify vicious attacks of this kind. Those who practice terrorism on behalf of political causes undermine the legitimate aims of those they claim to support.



-- There are signs that even those countries which used to condone or even romanticize the terrorism threat are beginning to recognize that -- at the least -- it is counter-productive. The United Nations General Assembly this month unanimously passed a resolution condemning terrorism as criminal acts and calling on member nations not to support terrorists. The Security Council in December also unanimously passed a resolution condemning the taking of hostages and calling for their immediate release.

-- There must be no sanctuary for terrorists. States have a legitimate right to respond with appropriate force to repeated acts of terrorism, and all governments must work to enforce the rule of law against terrorists.

-- As Prime Minister Craxi said Friday, the European countries, including Italy, which are most exposed to terrorism, must intensify their efforts to work together to prevent terrorism.

-- We hope these words of recognition will be converted into additional concrete actions. The Administration, along with Congress which passed a number of strong anti-terrorism measures during the past two sessions, is stepping up its long-time efforts to improve cooperation among nations opposed to terrorism.

(IN RESPONSE TO POSSIBLE QUESTIONS)

-- POSSIBLE RETALIATION?: The U.S. government has maintained a wide variety of options to deal with and to try to deter terrorism. These include the potential use of military or police assets as we consider appropriate. We are not going to speculate at this point as to what we might do in individual cases.

-- ANY U.S.-ISRAELI JOINT PLANNING?: All states have an obligation to protect their citizens and thus share a common interest in working to eradicate terrorism. Specific responses are a matter for each government, however, and we are not coordinating with anyone on how we might react to attacks on our citizens.

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Home No

for Vic and Daniela Simpson  
in Rome

396 678 7969

HOSPITAL SANT'EUGENIO

396 592 5903

No. Room No. yft.

Vic had hand Surgery

Daniela is OK

Michael the son is in  
STOCK.

(NATASHA - dead)

~~Both~~ Vic, Daniela +  
Michael presently  
in the HOSPITAL.

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NATASHA  
ROME HOSPITAL

VICTOR SIMPSON, FATHER  
NO ADDRESS

ST. EUGENIO OSPEDALE  
592-5903

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IN ROME ATTACK

AMCIT: DON MALAND

FATHER: DINAR MALAND  
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NEW PORT RITCHIE, FLORIDA  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALLS

TO: Families of victims of the terrorist incident  
in Rome, Italy

DATE: December 28, 1985

RECOMMENDED BY: John M. Poindexter

PURPOSE: To express sympathy to the families of  
victims of the terrorist incident. In the  
call to the Simpsons, you may want to wish  
expeditious recovery for their son, Michael,  
who was slightly injured. Similarly, you  
will want to ask Ellen Maland about the  
health of her brother Mark, who received leg  
wounds in the attack. You will want to use  
the occasion to reiterate your commitment to  
bring the murderers to justice.

SECURE or OPEN: Open line call

INTERPRETER: None required

PHONE NUMBERS: See Tab A

CONTACT PERSON: See Tab A

TIME DIFFERENCE: See Tab A

SUGGESTED TIME: As soon as possible

TOPICS OF  
DISCUSSION:

1. Express your sympathy for the loss of  
their family members.
2. Reiterate our sincerity in bringing  
these murderers to justice.
3. In the call to the Simpsons, convey your  
get well wishes for their son's  
expeditious recovery.

Attachment

Tab A - Phone numbers, contacts, and time differences

Date of Submission:

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TAB

A

TELEPHONE CALLS

Natasha Simpson

CONTACT PERSON: Victor and Daniela Simpson (Parents)  
PHONE NUMBER: 396 678 7969 (No room number available)  
Mr. and Mrs. Simpson may have been  
released and can be reached on  
396 678 7969 at their residence.  
TIME DIFFERENCE: Nine hours later than California

John Buonocore

CONTACT PERSON: Mrs. Ciel Buonocore (Mother)  
PHONE NUMBER: (302) 655-7398  
TIME DIFFERENCE: Three hours later

Elena Tommarello

CONTACT PERSON: Bruno or Armando Pepenella (Sons)  
PHONE NUMBER: (412) 941-9832 or (412) 941-7320 respectively  
TIME DIFFERENCE: Three hours later

Don Maland

CONTACT PERSON: Ellen Maland (Sister)  
PHONE NUMBER: (212) 586-7000, Room 3118  
She is staying at the Hilton Hotel in New  
York  
TIME DIFFERENCE: Three hours later

Frederick Gage

CONTACT PERSON: Frederick Gage (Father)  
PHONE NUMBER: (608) 244-8228 after 6:00 p.m.  
TIME DIFFERENCE: Two hours later