

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JAMES W. NANCE TOUL

SUBJECT:

Secretary Weinberger's Meeting with Mrs. Thatcher

Cap Weinberger has sent you the following report

Begin Text:

I met for over an hour with Mrs. Thatcher Wednesday evening. She was charming as usual, and she asked me to give you her very warm regards. I gave her a rather extensive debriefing of my meeting in Morocco, Ankara, and Brussels, for which she was most appreciative. She was absolutely delighted with your zero-option proposal and speech, and she expressed her admiration for the way the administration handled the AWACs issue. She indicated that the UK intended to maintain its own nuclear deterrent, and she believed that a summit meeting with Brezhnev could be very useful -- if there were good prospects for a suitable outcome and after we made the necessary detailed preparations. Finally, she would be honored to have you make an official visit to London in conjunction with the June economic summit in Paris.

End Text

The Vice President cc: Ed Meese Jim Baker

Mike Deaver

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