NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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April 8, 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR DONALD R. FORTIE

FROM:

OLIVER L. NORTH HOWARD R. TEICHER JAMES R. STARK

SUBJECT:

Next Steps re Libya

For this afternoon's meeting, we have several issues which require decision and further tasking:

- Emissary. We need to finalize the issue of dispatching a Presidential emissary to European capitals (London, Rome, Paris, Bonn, Hague). Shultz has said that he would prefer Dick Walters as the emissary, since Armacost is out of town and he wants Whitehead here. If Walters is to go, we need to get him down here and briefed and lay-on a Presidential aircraft. There are several related issues:
 - Shultz wants the Belgians and Italians apprised of our action in advance. If we are to do so, should Walters do it or should we use Ambassadors with Presidential message.
 - State is anxious to dispatch the Presidential messages at Tab A. There is some merit in this position, however, we believe that the rhetoric is very high already and that these messages may result in the building of opposition rather than support. We need to decide whether these should be dispatched at the meeting.
 - State has also recommended (Tab B) that we dispatch a separate PRIVACY CHANNEL cable to France -- Eyes Only for President Mitterrand or PM Chirac. Yesterday we decided not to use this channel

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> Replacement Carrier. Shultz supports our position on opposing movement of ENTERPRISE through the canal. He favors keeping her in the I.O.; we should seek to resolve this today. DOD/JCS have repeatedly agreed to accelerate deployment of FORRESTAL from the U.S. East Coast, which would allow it to relieve CORAL SEA in mid-May. This is an acceptable solution.

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Follow-on Actions. Most important of the issues before your group today is whether or not we are going to plan for a second (and perhaps additional) night of strikes now or are we simply going to take what action we can on Saturday, April 12, and wait for further Libyan attacks. This decision should affect our target planning since we believe that taking out Qadhafi's C3 is very important. Of equal importance is the prospect for our action leading to a political vacuum that we must be ready to take advantage of.

- -- Targetting. DOD and CIA are now working well together and Charlie Allen expects to complete the target set folders this afternoon. Despite yesterday's meeting, DOD continues to oppose the Qadhafi targets or his personal infrastructure targets because of risk to aircrews and the possibility of collateral damage. DOD needs to be pushed on this issue. You should use the argument that target options must not be arbitrarily excluded. Instead, they must be available, but with any possible problems such as high collateral damage highlighted.
- -- Trevi Group. Meese is willing to communicate with Trevi through the current EC chair -- the Hague. All he needs is our go ahead. State supports the idea (Tab A), but it should be noted that the U.S. is not a member of Trevi (EC only). It is possible, however, that the Netherlands would be willing to invite Meese to an extraordinary session of Trevi, if we but asked. We need to decide on this at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That you use the points above during the meeting this afternoon.

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Attachments

Tab A - Cables

Tab B - Platt Memo to Poindexter of April 7, 1986

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO CHANCELLOR KOHL

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THE BERLIN BORBING IS BUT THE LATEST IN A PATTERN OF - IBYAN-SPONSORED TERRORISM DIRECTED NOT ONLY AGAINST THE JAITED STATES BUT ALSO AGAINST THE ENTIRE PARRIC OF CIVILIZED SOCIETY. REGRETTABLY. YOUR COUNTRY HAS NOT BEEN SPARED FROM THIS CAMPAIGN. I RECALL THE HURDER CARRIED OUT BY A LIBYAN AGENT LESS THAN THO YEARS AGO IN BONN AGAINST A LIBYAN DISSIDENT. THAT WAS NOT A LONE

EVENT. BUT RATHER ONE OF A SERIES OF ACTS ON GERMAN SOIL

WE HAVE CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT THE BOMBING OF THE BERLIN DISCO WAS DIRECTED FROM THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU ACCREDITED TO THE GDR. ONE OF THOSE INVOLVED WAS A MEMBER OF THE BUREAU ACCREDITED TO THE GDR. WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN EXPELLED BY YOUR GOVERNMENT BECAUSE OF HAVE MADE FORCEFUL REPRESENTATIONS BOTH TO THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES IN BERLIN AND TO GDR OFFICIALS HERE AND BUREAU.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE BERLIN POLICE AND AGENCIES OF YOUR GOVERNMENT HAVE SHARED WITH US IMPORTATION LINKING THE LIBYAN PEOPLES' BUREAU ACCREDITED TO THE GDR TO THE BOMBING IN BERLIN. I HOPE YOU WILL SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE. CLEARLY, IT IS IN ALL OF OUR INTERESTS TO TURN THE SPOTLIGHT ON THESE CRAVEN ACTS OF TERROR WHICH, AS WAS SO TRAGICALLY EVIDENT IN BERLIN, THREATEN ALL OF OUR COUNTRYMEN.

OF EDUAL URGENCY, WE HAVE IMPORMED YOUR AUTHORITIES OF HARD IMPORMATION WE POSSESS WHICH LINKS THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU IN BOWN TO A PLANNED TERRORIST ACT IM HUNICH. THIS IS BUT THE MOST RECENT OF NUMEROUS REPORTS. IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AND ELSEWHERE, WHICH OFFER CONCLUSIVE PROOF THAT LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAUS ARE ACTIVELY TARGETING US INTERESTS AND PERSONNEL. GIVEN THE CLEAR USE OF THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU TO ORGANIZE AND SUPPORT PAST AND PRESENT TERRORIST ACTS IN GERMANY, I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO CLOSE THE BONN OFFICE AND EXPEL ITS STRONGLY URGE YOU TO CLOSE THE BONN OFFICE AND EXPEL ITS GADHAFI AND SERIOUSLY IMPEDE HIS ACTIVITIES WHICH POSE SUCH A THREAT TO THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF AMERICANS AS WELL AS GERNAN CITIZENS. IT WOULD FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE SET THE UK WHEN THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU IN LONDON WAS

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DISCOURAGE FRE NATIONALS FROM FILLING IN BEHIND AMERICAN FIRTS LEAVING LIBYA. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE YOUR SOVERNMENT WITH INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THIS ISSUE.

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SINCERELY. RONALD REAGAM

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I WALL TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY PERSONAL APPRECIATION FOR THE FRINCIPLED POSITION EGYPT TOOK WITH REGARD TO THE RECENT INCIDENTS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND LIBYA II, THE GULF OF

TERRORIST ATTACKS AGAINST ANYONE HE CONSIDERS HIS ENEMY. A THREAT ALL TOO FAMILAR TO YOU IN EGYPT. I MUST TELL YOU IN CONFIDENCE THAT WE HAVE CONVINCING EVIDENCE SELCIFICALLY LINKING LIBYAN PEOPLE'S BUREAUS IN EUROPE

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BOTH THE U.S. AND EGYPT HAVE ALREADY SUFFERED FAR TOO MUCH AT THE HANDS OF LIBYAN-SPONSORED TERRORISM. I THINK UE AGREE THAT THERE CAN BE NO COMPROMISE WITH TERRORISM IF IT IS TO BE STOPPED. YET WE BELIEVE OUR EUROPEAN FRIENDS WILL BE HESITANT TO TAKE THE HEASURES NECESSARY TO DEFEND AGAINST LIBYAN TERRORISM. THEY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT REPRISALS BY TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY LIEYA AND THEY DO NOT WISH TO RISK POSSIBLE COUNTER-SANCTIONS BY HODERATE ARAB STATES.

HOSHI. I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE YOU CAN PROVIDE IN ENCOURAGING OUR EUROPEAN PRIENDS TO BE MORE FORTHRIGHT IN REETING THE TERRORIST THREAT. I BELIEVE, GIVEN YOUR CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH EUROPEAN LEADERS. THAT BY QUIETLY COMMUNICATING TO THEM OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS THAT YOU SHARE THEIR CONCERNS OVER THE GROWING TERRORIST THREAT YOU WOULD REASSURE THER THAT TAKING STRONG ANTI-TERRORIST HEASURES IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO. I WOULD ALSO ASK THAT YOU ASSURE THEM THAT EGYPT WILL DO WHAT IT CAN TO FORESTALL ANY ATTEMPTS BY ARAB ORGANIZATIONS TO TAKE COUNTER-MEASURES AGAINST EUROPEAN STATES THAT TAKE PUNITIVE ACTION AGAINST LIBYAN-SUPPORTED TERRORISM:

I BELIEVE THAT, IF ALL MATIONS THREATENED BY INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM WORK TOGETHER. WE CAN ULTIMATELY SUCCEED IN ISOLATING AND CRAPSCATING THIS SCOURGE ON BRINGING UNDER CONTROL MARKIND.

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PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO PH CHIRAC

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BEGIN TEXT: BEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

SECRETARY SHULTZ HAS TOLD HE OF HIS EXCELLENT CONVERSATION WITH YOU DURING HIS RECENT TRIP TO EUROPE. I WAS ESPECIALLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE STRONG SENTIMENTS YOU EXPRESSED TO THE SECRETARY CONCERNING THE NEED FOR ACTIVE AND EFFECTIVE COOPERATION AND STRONG MEASURES AGAINST TERRORISM. WE ARE HOPING THAT DEPUTY SECRETARY SHITEHEAD CAN FOLLOW UP ON THESE DISCUSSIONS WHEN HE IS IN PARIS ON APRIL 36. EVENTS OF RECENT DAYS UNDERSCORE THE HEED TO REDOUBLE OUR JOINT EFFORTS IN THIS AREA.

I KNOW. DR. PRIME MINISTER. THAT YOU SHARE OUR SORROW AND OUTRAGE OVER THE BRUTAL TERRORIST ATTACK IN BERLIN AND THE COULERLY ROBBING ON THE FERSHT BOD. THESE ARE ONLY THIS IS

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THE MOST RECENT INCIDENTY IN A PATTERN OF LIBYAN-SPONSORED TERRORISM DIRECTED NOT ONLY AGAINST THE UNITED STATES. BUT AGAINST THE ENTIRE PARRIC OF CIVILIZED REGRETTABLY, YOUR COUNTRYNEN HAVE NOT BEEN SPARED FROM THIS CAMPAIGN. IN ADDITION TO THESE HETS. OUR AUTHORITIES HAVE SHARED INFORMATION ON THE RESERVENT PLANNED ATTACK ON THE U.S. EMBASSY IN PARIS. ORCHESTRATED BY THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU IN PARIS. WE ARE INDEED GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPERB EFFORTS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TO UNCOVER THIS PLOT. AND ONE OTHER. WHICH LED TO YOUR DECISION TO EXPEL TWO MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLES' BUREAU STAFF AND THE TWO PERSONS WHO CAME TO FRANCE ON ALGERIAN AND MOROCCAN PASSPORTS. I HOPE YOU WILL SHARE THE DETAILS OF THE ATTEMPTED ATTACKS WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE, AND ALSO GIVE THE PUBLIC A CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF COL. MADNAFI'S EPPORTS TO HIDE HIS SPONSORSHIP OF TERRORIST ACTS BEHIND A DIPLOMATIC COVER. CLEARLY. IT IS IN ALL OF OUR INTERESTS TO TURN THE SPOTLIGHT ON THESE CRAVEN ACTS OF TERROR. WHICH THREATEN

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IN ADDITION TO THE CLEAR EVIDENCE LINKING THE PEOPLES! BUREAU IN PARIS TO SPECIFIC ACTS OF TERRORISH AGAINST THE U.S. EMBASSY, WE HAVE HARD EVIDENCE LINKING THE MURDEROUS BONBING IN BERLIN TO THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU ACCREDITED TO THE GOR. WE HAVE HADE FORCEFUL PRESENTATIONS BOTH TO THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES IN BERLIN AND TO THE GOR CALLING UPON THEN TO CLOSE THE LIBYAN PEOPLES' BUREAU. GIVEN THE SERIES OF THREATS ENANATING FROM THE PEOPLES' BUREAU IN BONN, I HAVE ALSO URGED CHANCELLOR KOHL TO CLOSE THE PEOPLES' BUREAU THERE. THESE ARE ONLY THE MOST RECENT EXAMPLES OF THE CONCLUSIVE PROOF AVAILABLE THAT LIBYAN PEOPLES' BUREAUS ARE ACTIVELY TARGETING U.S. INTERESTS AND PERSONNEL. GIVEN THE CLEAR USE OF LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAUS TO ORGANIZE AND SUPPORT TERRORIST ACTS IN FRANCE. I STRONGLY URGE THAT YOU RECONSIDER THE POLICY OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TOWARD PEOPLES! BUREAU REPRESENTATION. DOING SO WOULD SEND A DRAMATIC MESSAGE TO COLONEL BADHAPI AND SERIOUSLY IMPEDE HIS ACTIVITIES WHICH POSE SUCH A THREAT TO THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF AMERICANS AS WELL AS PRENCH CITIZENS. THIS HOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WHEN THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAU THERE ENGAGED

IN CLOSING, LET ME REAFFIRM MY CONVICTION THAT THE BEST MEANS TO DEFEAT STATE-SUPPORTED TERRORISM, WHETHER SPONSORED BY COL. RADMAPI OR OTHERS, IS TO PROCEED FIRMLY AND COLLECTIVELY. ABOVE ALL, WE MUST TAKE THE TOUGH

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DECISIONS NECESSARY TO RID THE WORLD OF THIS MODERN DAY SCOURGE. I WELCOME YOUR OWN VIEWS ON THIS ENDEAVOR AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT ON THIS ISSUE OF CONCERN TO ALL OF US.

SINCERELY, RONALD REAGAN

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THE RECENT SPATE OF TERRORIST ACTS AROUND THE WORLD HAS SHOCKED THE CONSCIENCE OF AMERICANS AND PEACE-LOVING PERSONS EVERYWHERE. IT HAS ALSO STRENGTHENED OUR RESOLVE TO PUT AN END TO THIS BARBARIC BEHAVIOR.

LE APPRECIATE WHAT HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT HAS DONE IN SUPPORT OF COLLECTIVE EFFORTS TO COUNTER TERRORISM. IT IS EVIDENT, HOWEVER, THAT THE THREAT TO ALL OF US, INCLUDING THE UNITED KINGDON AND OTHER MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, HAS INCREASED. THIS CLEARLY CALLS FOR A REDOUBLING OF OUR EFFORTS.

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ROLE IN ORGANIZING RECENT ACTIONS WHICH HAVE CAUSED SO MANY INNOCENT CASUALTIES IN EUROPE. WE BELIEVE THAT ADDITIONAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN IMMEDIATELY TO HEASURES TO REDUCE FURTHER CADHAFI'S SCOPE FOR PLANNING AND EXECUTING THESE WEINOUS ACTS. TO THIS END. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR WORKING WITH US TO GET OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO CLOSE DOWN THE LIBYAN PEOPLES! BUREAUS IN THEIR COUNTRIES. PARTICULARLY WHERE TERRORIST ACTS HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED FROM THE PEOPLES! BUREAU. WE HAVE VERY HUCH IN MIND THE RESOLUTE ACTION YOUR GOVERNMENT TOOK AFTER THE MURDER OF A POLICEMONAN BY SHOTS FIRED FROM THE PEOPLES! BUREAU IN LONDON. IN THE PRESENT PERIOD. I HOPE YOUR GOVERNMENT CAN SUPPORT OUR PROJECTS TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERNAN, FRANCE. ITALY AND THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC TO CLOSE YOUR THE PEOPLES! BUREAUS ACCREDITED TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS.

ACTING TOGETHER. CIVILIZED STATES CAN STAMP OUT THE TERRORIST EVIL THAT THREATENS THE VERY PARTIC OF DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE WITH YOU AT THE MAY ECONOMIC SUMMIT. I AM GRATIFIED BY YOUR RESOLUTE SUPPORT IN PROMOTING THAT COOPERATIVE ACTION.

SINCERELY. RONALD REAGAN.

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