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February 13, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

1. Breakfast with Weinberger: Bill Clark and I join Cap and Frank Carlucci for breakfast weekly. At this morning's session, we made progress in a number of areas. These included joint agreement on the FY '82 security assistance program; a common viewpoint toward handling the enhanced radiation warhead issue; and chemical weapons (which is the subject of a separate memo to you).

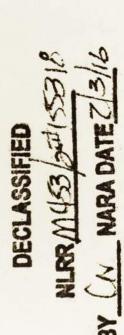
We also established a small team to develop a strategy and specific actions to counter Cuban subversion throughout Latin America. We will keep you fully informed.

We also discussed unilateral actions that might be taken outside the European context in the event of a crisis in Poland. These measures will be included for your consideration in future NSC meetings on Poland. (S)

- 2. NATO Secretary General: The British have launched a campaign to oust Joseph Luns, the Secretary General of NATO, on the grounds that he has out lived his usefulness. Luns is a steadfast friend of the United States and has been a strong asset over the years. More importantly he has always understood the nature of the Soviet threat and been a skillful counter-balance against less realistic European thinking. Our Ambassador to NATO has been instructed to tell Luns that we will continue to support him fully, and that the timing for any decisions about his future is entirely in his hands. Luns does intend to step down in 1982 because of age but I feel strongly that he should be permitted to do so on his own terms in light of his superb performance and, above all, his fundamentally pro-U.S. demeanor. (S)
- 3. AWACs to NATO: I today authorized Congressional notification of our intention to export 18 AWACs to NATO. (They will be delivered over the next four years.) We needed to act quickly because of a contractual obligation, and proceeded with NSC staff concurrence. (C)



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4. The Australian and New Zealand Ambassadors' Calls: The Ambassador of Australia and New Zealand paid separate courtesy calls on me today. Both confirmed their governments' commitment to the ANZUS alliance; their warm regard for the United States; and the need for strong deterrents to alarming Soviet expansionism. In addition, both Ambassadors conveyed messages from their Prime Ministers requesting Presidential meetings at the earliest possible date.

I reaffirmed our commitment to ANZUS, indicated my plan to attend the ASEAN and ANZUS ministerial meetings in June, and promised a full briefing on the El Salvador situation next Tuesday. (C)



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## THE WHITE HOUSE

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FROM:

SUBJECT:

RICHARD V. ALLEN Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Herewith Secretary Haig's Evening Report of February 13, 1981.

cc: The Vice President Ed Meese James Baker

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