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THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

April 15, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : Alexander M. Haig, Jr.



1. Visit of Secretary General Luns: In our meeting today, NATO Secretary General Luns was his usual very frank self in stating his support of US-positions in the Alliance (e.g. bringing Spain into NATO.) You can expect to hear tomorrow from Luns the same point he made today, concerning the importance the Allies attach to discussions on theatre nuclear forces. To ignore this, said Luns, would be a "gift" to the Russians, playing into the hands of the leftist opposition parties and impeding deployment of modern theater weapons. (C)

2. Pan Am to Halt Flights to Poland. Pan American has wanted to end its money losing flights to Poland for some time, having deferred the decision at our suggestion while things were so tense. There seems no reason to object now to cancellation. The Poles will be informed in advance that Pan Am's action is strictly economic and does not signify a political change on our part. (C)

3. Lunch with Common Market Ambassadors: At lunch today hosted by the Common Market Ambassadors my recent trip to the Middle East and Europe was reviewed. The discussion also included our southern Africa initiative and the Ambassadors were told that we would remain in close consultation with the Contact Group. In response to questions on theatre nuclear forces, the group was informed that the U.S. was committed to both the modernization and negotiation tracks; you had emphasized this point to Mrs. Thatcher. Theatre nuclear force modernization in Europe was badly needed. We recognized, however, that political pressures in many allied countries would make it difficult to proceed with modernization if we failed to keep open the possibility of negotiation with the Soviets on theatre nuclear weapons. (C)

4. Visit of New Zealand Ambassador. New Zealand Ambassador Gill met with Judge Clark today to reaffirm the traditional and long-standing friendship between the U.S. and New Zealand. He complained, however, about U.S. delay in the Law of the Sea review, and expressed his country's opposition to restrictive agricultural legislation. Gill took the opportunity to mention Prime Minister Muldoon's strong desire to see you. Judge Clark declared that the Administration was doing its best to accommodate him. (C)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Herewith Secretary Haig's Evening Report of April 15, 1981.

cc: The Vice President  
Ed Meese  
James Baker  
Michael Deaver

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