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June 15, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.
Acting Secretary of State

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1. Security Council Debate on Israeli Raid. The United Nations Security Council debate which began on Friday continued today with speeches condemning Israel's raid on Iraq. Most of the non-aligned representatives have called for sanctions on Israel. Negotiations on the text of a Council resolution are still at an early stage, however, and the situation remains fluid. As the aggrieved party, the Iraqis are in a strong position. So far the Iraqis have not revealed whether they will be satisfied with a resolution condemning Israel which stops short of calling for sanctions, or whether they will demand a sanctions resolution they know we will have to veto. They seem to want to find language which will be acceptable to us and to other Western Council members. The critical point in the negotiations will probably come later this week. As soon as a draft resolution takes shape, I will provide you with our analysis and recommendations.

2. US-Greek Defense Negotiations. Our negotiations with the Greeks on a defense and economic cooperation agreement appear to be entering the final phase. A small Greek Cabinet meeting on June 16 could be decisive. We have made an all-out effort to be as forthcoming as possible in response to key Greek requirements, in keeping with our insistence on an agreement that preserves our operational control and flexibility. In our most important move, Secretary Weinberger agreed to hint that it might be possible to sell the Greeks a small number of F-4 aircraft if the Greeks are prepared to yield on remaining negotiating issues.

3. British Views on Middle East, Namibia and Cyprus. Sir Ian Gilmour, the number two man in the British Foreign Office, called on me this afternoon. He was most concerned about the impact the Israeli raid against Iraq and the Israeli elections will have on the autonomy talks and on US policy toward the region. Gilmour is pessimistic about the chances for success. He also reiterated the UK's support for our Namibia efforts, and urged that the US press Kurt Waldheim to move more vigorously on a Cyprus agreement. Gilmour meets with the Vice President tomorrow morning.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Stoessel's Evening Report

Attached is Acting Secretary Stoessel's Evening Report for June 15, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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