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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

14 September 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : William P. Clark, Acting *wpc*

AWACS Meetings with Senators Percy and Kassebaum.  
Under the auspices of Dick Allen's AWACS group, we began the individual briefings with Senators on the proposed AWACS sale to the Saudis.

The meeting with Percy was confined to strategy and tactics because he is already a committed supporter of the sale. Percy believes that we should lean on Prime Minister Begin to change his position and acquiesce in the sale in light of your overall commitment to Israeli security and that failing such an action, the fight will be long and bloody with the final vote too close to call.

Senator Kassebaum has not committed herself publicly, and will not do so until after the final hearings, but fully understands the strategic rationale and we are confident will support the proposal when it comes to a vote. She is looking forward to the forthcoming higher public visibility of Administration spokesmen in explaining the rationale.

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September 15, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Clark's Evening Report

Attached is Acting Secretary Clark's Evening Report for September 14, 1981.

cc: The Vice President  
Ed Meese  
Jim Baker  
Mike Deaver

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