## DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

October 22, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

William P. Clark, Actingure

1. Operation Bright Star '82. Final preparations are underway for the four country exercise scheduled to begin in Egypt in early November and to extend to Sudan, Somalia and Oman, ending mid-December. A DOD team is obtaining host government confirmation of specific details, including the degree to which each host government will participate with us. As currently envisaged, we plan to deploy in Egypt two reinforced Army battalions (one parachuted in), 12 A-10 ground support aircraft, RDJTF headquarters command in Cairo, and engage in a live bombing exercise with B-52s flying in from and returning to the U.S. non-stop. AWACS aircraft may assist. An unconventional warfare company will be dropped into Sudan, possibly joined by Egyptian forces, and a logistics and engineer group will be landed by roll-on, roll-off ship in Somalia. A 2000 man Marine Amphibious Unit will practice an assault on a deserted beach in Oman (perhaps Masirah Island), supported by an F-4 squadron. We are coordinating public relations guidance, keeping it very general until the host governments agree (probably on or about October 28). (S)

2. CIA Charges Against Ambassador Harry Barnes. In response to recent Indian leftist press accusations that Ambassador Harry Barnes is a CIA agent, Embassy New Delhi expressed our concern to the GOI and asked help to dispel such false allegations. GOI replied that nothing could be done at this time. GOI will likely follow the matter closely -- we do not rule out some action by it. We have also protested both in Moscow and to the Soviet Embassy here concerning repetition of the Indian press stories in Izvestiya. (C)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 23, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT:

Acting Secretary Clark's Evening Report

Attached is Acting Secretary Clark's Evening Report for Thursday, October 22, 1981.

CC: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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