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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : Alexander M. Haig, Jr. *A*

1. The Secretary's Meeting With Shimon Peres. Israeli opposition leader Shimon Peres met with me today following his call on the Vice President. Peres welcomes our continuing commitment to Camp David, and is most anxious that we achieve an autonomy agreement by April. After that, he wants to broaden the peace process, perhaps through an attempt to negotiate an Egyptian-Saudi-Israeli agreement on demilitarization of the Red Sea area. In his view, Jordan is not yet able to enter peace negotiations, but Peres' Labor Party wants to keep a "Jordanian option" open. Peres also took pains to rationalize his party's complaints about the Weinberger-Sharon Memorandum on Strategic Cooperation. The Labor Party fully agrees with the concept of US-Israeli cooperation against the Soviet threat but is unhappy about Begin's failure to submit the Memorandum to the Knesset. I told Peres that before the end of the year we and the two parties should carefully reassess ways to advance the autonomy negotiations, including the question of a U.S. special negotiator. Peres later told the press that I had said we had decided to name a high level special representative to the talks before the end of the year. We are setting this right with the press, making clear that the question is still open. (S)

2. Haggling Over Spain. In a telephone call to Spanish Foreign Minister Perez-Llorca I assured him that we and our NATO partners are continuing to do our best to ensure that all NATO Ministers sign the protocol of accession for Spain on December 10. When informed that chances of achieving unanimity would be better if he attended the NATO meeting, Perez-Llorca assured me he would come. Meanwhile, Greek Prime Minister Papandreou's ultimate intentions over Spanish accession to NATO remain unclear. He appears to be maneuvering for leverage over us on key aspects of Greek-US and Greek-NATO security relationships, including bases, security assistance and a "guarantee" against Turkish attack. I will meet Papandreou in Brussels later this week in the hopes of avoiding further trouble over Spain's membership. (C)

3. Views of Allied Ambassadors. At a Quad lunch today with Walt Stoessel, the British, French and German Ambassadors raised several concerns, including possible U.S. actions against Libya, Cuba, and Nicaragua. Walt informed them that various measures against Cuba and Libya were being considered, including economic sanctions, but he denied any plans to take military action. The Ambassadors also expressed interest in a Presidential visit to Europe, referring to Mitterrand's proposal for an economic summit in June. Walt raised the possibility of your attending a NATO summit. He strongly discounted the likelihood of two separate Presidential trips to Europe. (SECRET/SENSITIVE)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JAMES W. NANCE

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Al Haig's Evening Report for Monday,  
December 7, 1981.

CC: The Vice President  
Ed Meese  
Jim Baker  
Mike Deaver

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