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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: William P. Clark, Acting WPC

1. U.N. Secretary General Race. The Security Council today agreed to recommend Javier Perez de Cuellar of Peru to be Secretary General for a 5 year term beginning January 1, 1982. Perez, currently Waldheim's personal representative for Afghanistan and before that an Under Secretary General, received 10 affirmative votes, 1 negative (not a permanent member veto, however), and 4 abstentions. He is a hard-working, somewhat cautious diplomat who has the respect of UN professionals. In other balloting, both Sadruddin Agha Khan and Ortiz de Rozas of Argentina drew Russian vetos along with 9 affirmative votes. No other candidate received the required nine votes. The General Assembly is expected to act formally on the Security Council recommendation December 15. (C)

2. Junta Removes Viola As Argentine President. An Argentine Junta today removed President Viola from office. Efforts to secure Viola's voluntary retirement on health grounds failed. Social Welfare Minister Admiral La Coste has been named Acting President. Army CINC Leopoldo Galtieri is expected to replace Viola, but not to take office until about December 20. Galtieri is also expected to retain command of the army for at least another year. On foreign policy Galtieri is close to us on East-West issues but will be constrained by the historical Argentine effort to maintain good ties in all directions. (C)

3. Nato Foreign Ministers Send Strong Message. At their December 10-11 meeting in Brussels, NATO Foreign Ministers adopted a communique sending a strong, concise message to the Soviets outlining conditions for a more constructive East-West relationship based on restraint and responsible behavior. Strengthening of NATO's deterrent capabilities is emphasized, as is willingness to negotiate substantial, verifiable, and balanced arms control agreements. Your November 18 speech drew special praise. Spain's decision to join NATO is welcomed as a clear sign of enduring Alliance vitality. Language in the communique expresses full Allied support for the Geneva INF negotiations and the prospect of START opening early next year. A separate declaration reiterates Allied (minus France) commitments to the December 1979 decision on INF modernization and arms control. (C)

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December 12, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JAMES W. NANCE

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Clark's Evening Report

Attached is Bill Clark's Evening Report for December 11, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Michael Deaver

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