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March 5, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

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

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1. El Salvador Vice President's Visit. I met today with Salvadoran Vice President General Gutierrez and assured him of our full and unequivocal support for his government and its efforts against the guerrillas. Gutierrez told me that while he had problems with training and tactics, his military forces were wearing down the guerrillas. The guerrillas, he thought, would make a substantial effort to paralyze the election process. I told him we would continue our efforts to reduce the flow of guerrilla supplies from outside El Salvador. I also urged him to take advantage of the Venezuelans' offer to pay for a private public relations firm to bolster Salvador's image abroad and in the United States. The Vice President recognized the public relations battle he faces. Gutierrez assured me that the Duarte government had strong support and, though it might not win a majority in the election, the coalition which emerged would be forced by circumstances to pursue the same policy as the Junta is now. I assured Gutierrez we were comfortable with the present leadership in El Salvador. (S)

2. Habib: Half-Way Point. Phil Habib, who arrived in Riyadh this afternoon, is half way through his trip. The Lebanese, Israelis, Syrians and Jordanians have confirmed to him their intention to abide by the cease-fire. Phil believes the Syrians will reinforce with the PLO the need to avoid any action that could be construed by Israel as a provocation. The Lebanese and the Jordanians are anxious for Phil to succeed in re-engaging the Saudis in promoting Lebanese reconciliation. The Israelis agree that progress must be made toward solving Lebanon's internal difficulties, but remain skeptical that Saudi Arabia can help. Phil will meet Saturday with the Saudi leadership to explore this subject, as well as to seek their assistance in impressing on the PLO and the Syrians the need to preserve the cease-fire. He returns next week to Israel and Lebanon, and now plans to be back in Washington around March 13.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Al Haig's Evening Report for March 5, 1982.

cc: The Vice President  
Ed Meese  
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