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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 

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1. Invitation to New York Meetings for President Mubarak. After showing great interest in (separate) meetings with you and Prime Minister Begin in New York in June during the disarmament session, Mubarak was apparently persuaded by his advisors that there were too many risks and he has begun to back away. Accordingly, I called in Ambassador Ghorbal today and pressed hard, stressing that the gravity of the Iran-Iraq war would merit a meeting with you in any event and that we saw a meeting between Mubarak and Begin as the only way to begin breaking the impasse of the autonomy negotiations. Our aim at any such meeting between Begin and Mubarak should be to set the stage for agreement to hold U.S.-Egyptian-Israeli meetings at the Ministerial level in Washington in July-August. Such a session should be an all-out effort to gain agreement. Ghorbal promised to convey our thinking to Mubarak, but maintained that Mubarak is concerned over possible Israeli actions in the interim, and about the expected announcement of resumed strategic cooperation between the U.S. and Israel which could give Mubarak domestic problems. I assured Ghorbal that we would take every necessary step to guarantee that the meeting would have a positive outcome. (S)

2. Soviet Draft Treaty on INF Tabled at Geneva. The INF draft treaty tabled by the Soviets in Geneva contains some new elements, but is basically an elaboration of earlier proposals. There is no movement on the central issue of longer-range INF missiles: the Soviet draft includes a June 1, 1982 retroactive freeze in deployments which would allow them to keep their SS-20's, while preventing planned U.S. deployment of Pershing II and ground-launched cruise missiles. The Soviets continue to propose a scheme for reduction of INF systems to 300 on each side which, by including the systems of the NATO Allies, would force virtual elimination of U.S. INF systems from Europe. There is a special appeal to the Germans through a limitation on missiles which can go beyond the inner-German border. We will be briefing our Allies in detail on this treaty text. We also expect the Soviets to publicize at least some aspects of it, hoping to reinforce support for a freeze among anti-nuclear circles here and in Europe. (S)

3. Spanish Base Negotiations. Following King Juan Carlos' call to you, the Spanish Charge this afternoon informally presented some new compromise language on the outstanding transit/overflight issue. We and Defense are studying it carefully and urgently to see if we can use it to bridge the gap between our two positions. (C)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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SECRET ATTACHMENT

May 29, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT ✓

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK ✓

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Al Haig's Evening Report for Friday, May 28, 1982.

cc: The Vice President ✓
Ed Meese ✓
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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