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June 9, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.
Acting Secretary of State

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1. SFRC Arms Control Markup. I met this morning with several key Republican Senators (Percy, Lugar, Hayakawa and Boschwitz) to encourage a unified Republican stance on obtaining the best wording -- from the Administration's standpoint -- of a joint resolution which commends and supports your START proposals and objectives. Later, by a vote of 11 to 4, the SFRC approved a Percy compromise achieving our objectives. During markup, an amendment by Senators Pell and Cranston to freeze testing, production and development of nuclear warheads was defeated by a vote of 9 to 6; attempts by Senator Glenn to require you to review the SALT II treaty and to have the U.S. and USSR agree on the interim restraints language were defeated by votes of eight to six.

2. Guatemala: Rios Montt Takes Control. The leader of the Guatemalan junta, General Efraim Rios Montt, moved this morning to consolidate his power by assuming the presidency of Guatemala and ousting his two colleagues, General Maldonado Schaad and Colonel Gordillo, from the junta. This change does not come as a surprise. Rios Montt had in the past month assumed virtual control of the junta and had relegated the other two members to ceremonial functions. It is doubtful that the government will pursue different policies as a result of the change.

3. El Salvador: Foreign Minister's Call on Under Secretary Eagleburger. Salvadoran Foreign Minister Fidel Chavez Mena met with Under Secretary Eagleburger this afternoon. Chavez Mena hopes to use this one-week visit to Washington to clarify his government's policies to the Administration, Congress, and the public, as well as to listen to our concerns. Eagleburger told Chavez Mena that we want to assist El Salvador, but have serious problems convincing Congress to approve aid requests; he urged that the new government take concrete steps with full publicity, particularly in human rights and land reform, to overcome Congressional distrust. Chavez Mena stressed in reply that President Magana and the new government are committed to moving ahead with political and economic reforms.

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June 10, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Stoessel's Evening Report

Attached is Acting Secretary Stoessel's Evening Report for June 9, 1982.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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