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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 

1. French Arms Sales to Nicaragua. Cheysson has informed me that the French will deliver two helicopters to Nicaragua that are part of the December 1981 sales package which also includes rockets and patrol craft. We have made clear to the French that these arms sales increase the strength of a country trying to subvert another nation we support in the area. French assistance also sets back the possibility of a dialogue with the US by giving the Nicaraguans the hope that they can rely on European support. The French continue to argue, however, that their arms sales give the Nicaraguans an alternative to Cuban and Soviet support. (C)
2. Spain - Base Negotiations. The Spaniards today withdrew their insistence on a last minute word change, and final agreement was reached on the text of a new base agreement. The text will be formally approved at a plenary session tomorrow; signing and announcement is tentatively scheduled for Friday, July 2. In order to meet the deadline created by the summer parliamentary recess, the Spanish Government earlier this week submitted to parliament the documents necessary to initiate the ratification process and we believe that the agreement will be approved regardless of any political changes. (C)
3. U.K. Reaction to Sanctions. The British Government notified us today that it had taken the first legal step to trigger its powers under the British Protection of Trading Interests Act. This permits the British, if they choose, to order U.K. firms not to comply with US controls against exports for the Soviet pipeline from the U.K. The British said their decision will hinge on whether agreement can be reached with the US concerning applications of controls to John Brown and other U.K. firms. (C)
4. Manfred Woerner, Christian Democratic Union (W. Germany) Shadow Defense Minister, Meets with Eagleburger and Stoessel. In meetings with Larry Eagleburger and Walter Stoessel today, Woerner identified growing unilateralism as a serious development on both sides of the Atlantic. While opposed to the pipeline and agreeing that sanctions can be a useful tool, he regretted deeply the handling of the decision, especially the lack of consultations on it at Versailles and Bonn. He suggested we focus our efforts instead on high technology and credits. Larry and Walt pointed out that the situation in Poland rather than the sanctions should be the focus of our efforts. (C)

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July 1, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Al Haig's Evening Report for Wednesday, June 30, 1982.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver