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MEMORANDUM FOR MG TIXIER

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SUBJECT: Status of Israeli Request for Specific Military Items

Background. Each of the following items has been in some sort of review/request status for over a year and several were subjects of intense negotiation prior to the PM Shamir visit of November 1983.

Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM) and High Speed Anti-Radiation Missile (HARM). Israeli requests for both of these systems have previously been denied in that they were still under development. This is still true for the AMRAAM. However HARM has now started to enter the inventory but we have not reached minimum required levels nor has there been a full review by the Services/DoD on technology release.

Israel has recently requested we release enough "integration data" to allow them to incorporate the HARM and AMRAAM on the LAVI (weight, dimensions, power requirements, etc). DSAA is working the request. Navy's initial reaction is to approve release of very basic data to meet the requirement. Air Force is leaning toward denial believing that approval will imply approval of a missile that is still under development. Ultimately DSAA will probably go to SECDEF to get DoD position.

AIM-9M. This has been the subject of several requests including pressure by Arens on Schultz. We had worked a position with State that DoD would reexamine the request in FY 85 for possible release in FY 87. State is requesting we look now "to be forthcoming". DSAA is now back out to the Services for their opinion and we expect a formal position about 1 May 84.

Services concerns are not necessarily "Israel" but inevitable requests/releases to NATO, other regional states and "co-production requests". We believe the current AIM-9L is more than adequate (i.e. Lebanon). If it is released to Israel we will probably ask for a "usage limitation" similar to the AIM-7M.

Towed Array Sonar. This subject seems to keep coming up, with part of the reason being Navy's lack of one solid position.

Navy is again looking at meeting with the Israelis to establish exactly what they need, and what technology the US has (commercial or USN) that may fit the requirement. Navy does not want - nor does Israel need - the full Towed Array. However a "smaller version, tuned for the Mediterranean, may be appropriate.

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