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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
(INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS)

Subject: Development Concept for Ras Banas (U)

1. ~~(C)~~ Reference MJCS 170-80,* which forwarded a two-phase concept for the development of the Ras Banas, Egypt military complex into a rear staging facility for use by United States forces in a regional contingency situation.

2. ~~(C)~~ An additional requirement has been identified to provide a Fiscal Year (FY) breakout of the Phase I development concept contained in referenced MJCS. In order to properly identify the projected use of military construction (MILCON) funds to Congress during the budgetary process, specific portion(s) of the FY 82/83 Phase I concept have been identified for presentation during each separate FY. Additionally, the dollar amounts cited in the referenced MJCS (FY 1980 dollars) have had planning and design costs removed and have been updated to reflect estimated costs in Five Year Defense Plan (FYDP) dollars. The FY 82 requirements and costs will be updated and revised by the Military Departments during the FY 82 MILCON budget submission to OSD.

a. ~~(C)~~ The breakout of projected costs by FY is presented in more detail in the Enclosure. Construction, planning and design, and total costs by proponent service are shown below (in thousands of FYDP dollars)

(1) ~~(C)~~ Construction: \$320,748

	<u>FY 82</u>	<u>FY 83</u>	<u>FY 84</u>
Army	\$ 36,510	\$52,989	\$ 78,569
Air Force	<u>72,978</u>	<u>36,839</u>	<u>42,872</u>
Total	\$109,488	\$89,819	\$121,441

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(2) ~~(C)~~ Planning and Design (P&D): \$26,800

	<u>FY 82 1/</u>	<u>Prior to FY 82 2/</u>
Army	\$6,500	\$ 7,500
Air Force	<u>3,500</u>	<u>9,300</u>
Total	\$10,000	\$16,800

(3) ~~(C)~~ Total Construction (includes P&D): \$347,548

<u>Prior to FY 82</u>	<u>FY 82</u>	<u>FY 83</u>	<u>FY 84</u>
\$16,800	\$119,488	\$89,819	\$121,441

1/ P&D monies needed in FY 82 for FY 84 construction.

2/ P&D monies needed now to support projected FY 82 and FY 83 construction. Cost given in FY 82 dollars.

b. ~~(C)~~ It should be noted that the estimates above include, in the FY 82 total of \$119,488,000, P&D funds (\$10 million) required for the Phase II (FY 84) construction. Further, the requirement for an additional \$16,800,000 in FY 80 for planning and design of FY 82 and FY 83 construction is clearly identified.

3. ~~(S)~~ The Phase I program has been carefully reviewed and phased into FY 82 and FY 83 in such a manner as to allow for an integrated force capability within a given FY program. The proposed phasing recognizes that the airfield must be upgraded in the earliest stages of the development program in order to project a capable force into or through Ras Banas. Total airfield upgrade, though, need not be completed before other critical facilities are begun. Thus, the FY 82 program includes selected portions of the total airfield improvement along with sufficient POL, utilities, port, and cantonment development to allow for the extremely austere deployment of a tactical fighter squadron and a reinforced Army brigade. The completion of Phase I funding in FY 83 would provide for further improvements to airfield capabilities and complete development of all other aspects of the complex to support the above specified combat elements. Phase II (FY 84) development would then further enlarge the facility to accommodate the predeployment of a tactical fighter wing and a reinforced Army division. An overriding concern in the phasing selection criteria was the need to construct the airfield pavements to meet full surge capacity (111 cargo aircraft per day) as early as possible to preclude disruption of potential operations during later development phases.

4. ~~(S)~~ Since the referenced MJCS was prepared, the possibility of developing the airfield at Ras Banas to support B-52 operations has been raised, but has not yet been resolved. The data presented in this paper do not include a B-52 capable airfield. The Engineer Technical Inspection Team - Egypt, in

may have been briefed to
The President by the NSC.
We are not aware of any
formal notification having
gone to the President. In the
22 Jul 31g memo, the 800 million fund
paper is to go eventually to the President.

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9/24/80 *Quarles memo*
Memo For BB, Carl Smith *CP 9/26*

Subj: Ras Baras Milcon

There is a milcon figure
worked out by OCS in conjunction
with MRA:K. Amount is
\$ 320,748,000, as shown on attached
OCS memo.

A B-52 study, to be completed
end Oct '80, could call for a B-52
capability at Ras Baras. This
construction would add \$ 70-80 M
to the \$ 320 M.

A price range of 300-400 M has
been used in SEC meetings, and

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