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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Security Assistance Policy for Lebanon (U)

1. ~~(S)~~ The Joint Chiefs of Staff believe that the United States should exploit opportunities that will keep us constructively engaged and continue to demonstrate our resolve in support of the Government of Lebanon. Security assistance continues to provide an excellent tool for maintaining US influence in Lebanon in support of our overall policy goals.

2. ~~(S)~~ In that context, the Joint Chiefs of Staff believe that our security assistance policy for Lebanon, as promulgated in NSDD-128, and, specifically, as it relates to equipment deliveries, no longer reflects current circumstances and should be reassessed accordingly.

3. ~~(S)~~ Recognizing the time it will take for the Lebanese to reconstitute an effective government and to determine the future roles and missions of the LAF, we recommend returning to Army control certain equipment, to include tanks and artillery, currently on hold for the LAF, as detailed in Enclosure A. Additionally, subject to your approval, the Joint Chiefs of Staff plan to take the following actions:

- a. Upon verification of LAF requirements, provide a limited number of APCs and wheeled vehicles to the LAF.
- b. Provide other items of equipment (other than lethal heavy equipment) currently on hold, on a case by case basis.
- c. Continue to provide ammunition and spare parts to the LAF.
- d. Continue to provide training assistance necessary to meet valid training requirements contingent upon the security and political situation and upon availability of funds and trainees.

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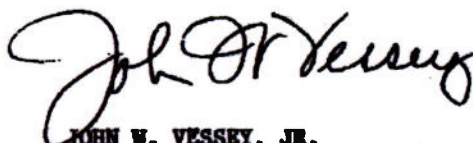
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4. (U) If you agree, the Joint Chiefs of Staff recommend you sign a memorandum, similar to that at Enclosure B, to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.



JOHN W. VESSEY, JR.  
Chairman,  
Joint Chiefs of Staff

**Attachments**

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SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

1. (✓) FOR 80 APCs ON HOLD IN EUROPE, RETURN TO ARMY CONTROL.
2. (✓) FOR 21 APCs ON HOLD AT RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT, RETURN TO ARMY CLAIMANTS.
3. (✓) FOR APCs ON ORDER FROM FMC, BEGIN PAYBACK TO ARMY WITH 116 APCs NOW ON HOLD AND IN PRODUCTION THROUGH APR 84. HOLD REMAINING APCs PENDING RESUMPTION OF DELIVERIES TO LEBANON IN LIMITED QUANTITIES BASED UPON VERIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.
4. (✓) FOR 102 APCs NOT YET ON CONTRACT, CONTINUE TO HOLD CONTRACTING ACTIONS.
5. (✓) FOR 406 WHEELED VEHICLES SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY TO GOL LATER THIS YEAR, CONTINUE PRODUCTION. VEHICLES WILL BE RELEASED TO GOL IN LIMITED QUANTITIES UPON VERIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.
6. (✓) FOR 572 WHEELED VEHICLES NOT YET ON CONTRACT, CONTINUE TO HOLD CONTRACTING ACTIONS.
7. (✓) FOR 35 M48A5 TANKS BEING OVERHAULED ON GOL FUNDED LOI, RETURN THESE TANKS TO ARMY CONTROL.
8. (✓) FOR M114A1 HOWITZERS IDENTIFIED FOR POTENTIAL SALE TO GOL, RELEASE TO ARMY CLAIMANTS.
9. (✓) FOR OTHER DEFINED LINE EQUIPMENT ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSED, CONTINUE TO HOLD. RELEASE WILL BE ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS.
10. (✓) FOR AMMO AND SPARE PARTS ON FUNDED FMS CASES, CONTINUE TO RELEASE FOR SHIPMENT.

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