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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Your Meeting with MOD Sharon (U) -- INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

It is important that there be an outcome from your meeting with Sharon that can be backgrounded to the press in a way so as to support our AWACS strategy. Based on what we know of Sharon's interests are on "strategic cooperation", it might be possible to reach the following agreement with him.

- An agreement to establish working groups to prepare specific matters of strategic cooperation.
- The working group should start as soon as possible and report back in two months.
- These reports will provide the basis for a follow-up meeting between you and MOD Sharon sometime in November or early December.
- The working groups would deal with the subjects as agreed to.
- The following working group subjects might be mentioned in the press backgrounding.
 - Joint naval exercises in the Eastern Med against contingencies of Soviet attack.
 - Prepositioning of medical supply
 - Air Force protection of sea lines of communication in the Eastern Med.
- There are likely to be some additional agreed working group topics that would not be made public.

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