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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE USD/P

SUBJECT: Weekly Activity Report 5 - 9 Aug 91

Attached is ISA's Weekly Activity Report for the week ending 9 Aug 91.

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EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT 8/9/91

AUSTRALIA

(C) EAPR Australian/ New Zealand desk officer Richard Dudley returned today after representing OSD at the U.S.-Australian Pol-Mil talks which were held in Sydney on August 5-6. The U.S. team was headed by Assistant Sec. of State Dick Clark. Agenda issues addressed the World Strategic Environment, Asian Pacific Regional Issues, the Middle East situation, and Arms Control. Following the Pol/Mil talks, Richard Dudley spent one day in Canberra making calls on Australian Defense officials. Comments on specific issues will follow in a separate report.

TAIWAN

(S) The tenth annual U.S.-Taiwan arms sales talks will be held next week on August 15-16 at the offices of the American Institute in Taiwan offices in Rosslyn, Virginia. The Taiwan delegation will be headed by Vice Admiral Hsia Tien, Vice Chief of the General Staff. Acting Assistant Secretary Carl Ford will lead the U.S. delegation. Approved for release to Taiwan this year are the lease of three Knox Class frigates, the sale of major components of the Patriot Surface to Air Missile system, and a slot at the Air War College.

KOREA

(U) The Republic of Korea (ROK) pledged \$155M in air and sea lift support for Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. As of 31 July, about 68.5M of this allocation has been utilized. An additional 20M+ will be used to pay for sealift pledged by the ROK through the end of CY92. TRANSCOM indicates that beyond the five ships currently committed, they have no further requirement for sealift or airlift. This leaves a surplus of about 65M+ for which we are trying to identify alternatives uses.

THAILAND

(C) State intends to undertake the Senate side of the informal consultations on the proposed sale of additional F-16s to Thailand this week. No problems are anticipated.

POW/MIA

(S/NF) Mr. Jack Bailey met with RADM McDevitt and DIA for two days to give DoD all of the information that he has in his files pertinent to the POW issue. Specifically, he provided the negative and location data relevant to the Carr Photo. Representatives from [REDACTED] met with RADM McDevitt to continue to flesh out a "concept of operations" for the rapid resolution of the POW/MIA issue.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES REPORT

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(U) Germany - SOFA Supplemental Review: In an initial meeting with the new German Military Representative USA-Canada, we provided him with copies of recent Senate and House-proposed amendments to the FY92 Defense Authorization Act. The Senate amendment would require negotiation of cost-sharing agreements with wealthy countries where U.S. combat forces are stationed. The House version would mandate dramatic annual reductions in local indirect hire personnel paid with U.S. funds. Each is aimed primarily at Germany.

(U) Prepositioning and Access Agreement with Bahrain: FMRA has worked with OGC and NESR to develop a new counter text to the changes proposed by Bahrain in the draft prepositioning and access agreement. We held a meeting with all interested DoD agencies and reached a common position on the counter proposal. Pending final clearance by CENTCOM and J-4, the draft has been transmitted to State for their review and preparation for the next round of negotiations in September.

(U) Philippine Base Negotiations: Efforts continued this week to resolve outstanding technical issues. Significant progress has been made and closure is anticipated soon. The bigger problem now appears to be obtaining Philippine Senate ratification before the September 17, 1991 deadline established by the Philippine Constitution. A key issue is whether the final package can be called a treaty, yet still be treated by the U.S. as an executive agreement not requiring Senate advice and consent to ratification.

(U) Possible Homicide Case in Saudi Arabia: We have continued to try to resolve the issue of jurisdiction over this case. The Foreign Ministry has strongly urged the U.S. to assume jurisdiction, because it would set an adverse precedent for the Saudis to prosecute personnel holding diplomatic status. We are prepared to do so if the Saudis understand that in turn the USG may not be able to prosecute any suspected offenders who are in a civilian status.

(U) VOA Use of Tinian: FMRA met with VOA personnel this week to discuss the proposed construction of a major relay station on Tinian. VOA would like to relocate facilities from the Philippines to land leased by the USG for defense purposes under the Northern Marianas Covenant. We are discussing the desirability and legality of this proposal with CINCPAC and General Counsel.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT - INTER-AMERICAN REGION (10 August 1991)

REGIONAL/COUNTERDRUGS (U) SOUTHCOM will host a two-day roundtable to discuss DOD provision of counterdrug operational support to Andean Ridge country teams. ISA, DEP&S, Joint Staff and each of the Andean Ridge countries will participate.

GUATEMALA/COUNTERDRUGS (C) Two State/INM aircraft assigned to Guatemala were hit by ground fire in separate incidents while conducting counterdrug spray and training missions. Damage to the aircraft was minor with no injuries. These are the first known attacks against USG air assets in Guatemala in over two years. The attacks were likely perpetrated by guerrillas or, possibly, angry farmers taking matters into their own hands.

BELIZE (U) Major Yama, Commander BDF Volunteers, was forced to resign his commission after involvement with a man whose car was found to contain small amounts of cocaine and marijuana.

COLOMBIA (S) Colombian police seized a large underground weapons cache, believed to have belonged to narcotraffickers. Included in the cache was an expended REDEYE. REDEYE was confirmed as not being issued to Nicaraguan Contras and there is no information as to where/when the REDEYE was expended.

COSTA RICA (C) President Calderon intimated his resolve to remove the Chiefs of Public Security and Radio Patrol Police for incompetence in their efforts to control riots in San Jose on 22 July.

GUATEMALA (C) Two Civil Defense Patrol leaders wanted on charges of murder and kidnaping turned themselves in to the National Police. The arrest is a significant coup for the Serrano administration.

The leader of the group mediating peace talks between the GOG and insurgents called the recently concluded meeting the most productive to date. He believes a Christmas deadline for signing a peace accord is viable.

The GOG reportedly accepted, in principle, Belize's request for recognition of independence and establishment of full diplomatic relations by 20 September. In return, the GOB will guarantee the Guatemalans permanent access to the Caribbean.

Insurgents conducted three attacks against Government troops and police. Three soldiers were injured and one died.

Several former and current Army officials may have received illegal 'commissions' as a result of the purchase of three S-76 helos from Jordan in 1988. If true, accusations may lead to the resignation of the Army Chief of Staff, who is alleged to have received such a 'commission'.

MEXICO (C) AmEmb forwarded GOM preference for possible dates (29 September in California or 13 or 14 December in Washington) for an informal meeting between Presidents Bush and Salinas.

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NESA UPDATE
August 9, 1991

(U) MINURSO. SecDef concurred in the deployment of 30 military personnel to the U.N. Mission for the Referendum in the Western Sahara (MINURSO). The first three officers are scheduled to depart for the Western Sahara on August 23, though recent attempts by Morocco to pad the voters' lists with disputable eligibles as well as a reported Moroccan attack against Polisario forces bodes ill for adherence to the referendum timetable. The ceasefire is scheduled to take effect on September 6.

(U) Morocco. King Hassan II has accepted an invitation for an official state visit September 26-27. We anticipate that Secretary Cheney will meet with him at Blair House.

(S) Jordan. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Ambassador Roger Harrison is back from Amman for the US Central Command change of command and will meet with PDASD Ford on August 12. Ambassador Harrison will be seeking ways to improve relations with Jordan.

(S) Lebanon. The Lebanese Attache returned this week from a month in Beirut. He reports a feeling throughout the headquarters of the Lebanese Armed Forces that positive movement on the hostage situation will occur soon.

(S) Saudi Arabia. SecDef met with US Ambassador Chas Freeman on Wednesday (8/7) to discuss access and pre-positioning, arms sales, and the Joint Security Review. SecDef agreed with Freeman that we should take a relatively relaxed approach on access and prepo, taking what we can get relatively easily and working with the Saudis over time on further efforts.

(U) India. India's new Minister of Defense, Sharad Pawar, has expressed interest in visiting the US this fall. DCM Mansingh has asked to meet with PDASD Ford to discuss the proposed visit. A meeting is scheduled for August 12. General Rodrigues, COAS, will be in Washington August 21-23 on a counterpart visit with General Sullivan.

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**WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY
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(S) SANCTIONS ON PROLIFERATION. NPP is providing State with the technical rationale to support discussions with the German embassy. The German government has not responded to our demarche delivered over a month ago on resolving the disagreement over control of missile propellant mixers. The German position would make effective export control impossible. State is considering escalating the issue. The bottom line is whether the Germans will resolve to control mixers or if they will yield to pressure from their industry.

(U) COMMERCE REGS. Commerce is rushing to publish by 1 September a "mega-reg" that combines: the new COCOM control list, the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) control annex, the Nuclear Referral List for dual-use nuclear technology. NPP is working with DTSA to insure that this complicated cross-breeding of control regimes does not allow Commerce to slip-in unreviewed changes that weaken Non-Proliferation controls.

(S) IRAQI REACTORS. NPP opposed State's original position allowing Iraq to retain a nuclear reactor in the post-war agreements. STATE eventually changed its mind and presented a USG no-reactor position to the SPECOM. It appears that the no-reactor position will not prevail at the UN because the issue is under the cognizance of the Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). Meanwhile, news of Iraqi use of its Soviet reactor to make weapons plutonium covertly went public.

(U) SUMMER STUDY. Deputy/NPP participated in the Navy War College Summer Study on future security environment and DoD force structure and briefed on the strategic implications of non-apocalyptic proliferation -- C3I, submersible technology, accurate non-lethal and conventional missiles. Deputy/NPP has been asked to brief the Defense Science Board next week on the initial results of Livermore SCUD threat research being done for the Proliferation Countermeasures Working Group.

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POLICY

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

PCC--Emergency Preparedness/Mobilization Planning. An EP representative attended as the DoD member at a meeting of the interagency mobilization working group to discuss the FEMA proposal to host a two day colloquium, in early September, to discuss the issues associated with the new national security strategy on reconstitution. We stated to the interagency group that the colloquium should be deferred until late September when the DPG will be in draft form and reconstitution more clearly defined.

Defense Production Act (DPA). The Congress has passed a simple extension of the DPA. The Act expired on 20 October 90, at the height of Operation DESERT SHIELD, but an Executive Order drawing from the provisions of the Selective Service Act provided interim emergency authority. The simple extension, when signed by the President, would extend the full authorities of the DPA to 30 September 91, is retroactive to 20 October 90, and makes the Exon-Florio provisions (authorization to limit, based on national security considerations, foreign ownership of critical US industries) permanent. There is a possibility that OMB will recommend a Presidential veto based on their opposition to the Exon-Florio provision.

Emergency Action Plans. Since 1988, EP has coordinated the DoD-wide review of 152 US Embassy Emergency Action Plans. Final plans, incorporating DoD comments, have been approved and issued to 50 embassies. There are 137 emergency action plans to be reviewed by DoD. The backlog of comments from the Joint Staff review, caused by DESERT SHIELD/STORM, was closed last week.

Earthquake Preparedness Exercise. DoD is supporting at National, Federal Region, and State levels, FEMA's exercise of the Federal Response Plan for a simulated catastrophic earthquake along the New Madrid fault. This extraordinarily complex series of contingency plans affects Federal and State civil government agencies, as well as military facilities and resources located in seven states, and has been coordinated by the Secretary of the Army as DoD Executive Agent, and by CINCFOR applying elements of our war planning infrastructure for military support to Civil Defense. As leader of the interdepartmental function group for Urban Search & Rescue, DoD simulated the deployment of 7,500 self-sustaining troops to the Memphis area to man the US&R efforts within 24 hours after the quake's occurrence.

Reconstitution. Based on discussions on reconstitution generated at the Global War Game, the Department of Commerce is investigating its capabilities and areas of responsibility to support a national security reconstitution policy. This initiative is being directed by Under Secretary Mike Darby.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY

SUBJECT: OPDUSD(Strategy and Resources) Weekly Highlights, 5-9 August 1991 (U)

(U) Defense Conversion in Eastern Europe: We prepared a memo for DepSecDef on a 2 August interagency meeting chaired by State on follow-up to the DepSecDef mid-July trip. We are coordinating on a State drafted message to Poland, Czechoslovakia, and Hungary providing details on the approach the USG will take in assisting defense conversion and soliciting well thought-out projects at the enterprise level to meet USG criteria. We have revised the draft DepSecDef trip report and completed write-ups on visits to individual factories. (SEE)

(U) Defense Conversion in the USSR: We met with DepSecDef's Military Assistant and CIA representatives to discuss planning for the proposed DepSecDef trip to the USSR in mid-September on defense conversion. (SEE)

(U) Soviet Military Power 1991: We coordinated within OUSD/P review of the "SecDef Approval" draft of SMP 1991. (SEE)

(U) Invitation to Soviet MOD to Visit the US: We drafted a memo to SecDef proposing he approve inviting Soviet MOD Yazov to visit the US beginning 12 November. (SEE)

(U) Letter to Cong. Solarz: We drafted a USD/P response to a letter from Cong. Solarz who had forwarded a copy on an article he had published in The Baltimore Sun on conditioned aid to the USSR. (SEE)

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