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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Europe/Middle East/Pakistan Trip (U)

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1) I am planning an approximately two-week trip to Europe, Mid-East, and Pakistan commencing early next week.

2) I would leave the evening of 21 January for talks the following day with King Hussein and General bin Shaker in London. Hussein has requested the meeting - agenda unspecified. Dave Newsom will probably go from State. General bin Shaker has asked that a DOD representative, preferably me, should accompany.

3) On 23 January I would debrief the NAC in Brussels on the China trip. While there, I would discuss AWAC's, and perhaps TNF participation with the Belgian MOD.

4) On the 24th I would debrief the new Italian MOD Sartis and new Foreign Minister Ruffini on the China trip (one of them is going to China in February) and discuss bilateral matters.

5) The 14 January SCC ordered the dispatch of a DOD team to Pakistan. This team would plan to join me in Rome and we would go to Pakistan for the period 25-28 January. We would discuss Pakistani military situation in general, and U.S. ability to meet Pakistan's needs. Specifically, the team would be prepared to discuss military equipment, joint exercises, U.S. use of Pakistani facilities, and intelligence exchange. (If it turns out that the team is limited to discussing military equipment, Ernie Graves would lead it.)

6) I would then plan to take essentially the same team to Egypt on/or about 29 January. I would open the discussions with the Egyptians, and then individual team members would conduct detailed planning required in the wake of the President's decision on long-term military assistance. While these detailed talks are going on, roughly 30 January - 2 February, I would visit Riyadh and Tel Aviv. The Saudis would doubtless appreciate a debrief on the China trip and I would consult them as well on

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an agenda for your trip. I assume Yemen and Pakistan may also arise. The main purpose of the Israel stop would be to visit the Negev airfield construction sites.

(S) I would then return to Cairo about the 4th of February for an approximately 1 day wrap-up meeting with the Egyptians and then bring the team back to Washington. At some point in my Egyptian visit, I should review the question of facilities access.

(U) Request your approval of the general concept and timing.



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cc: Amb Koimer

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