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January 23, 1980

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

January 22, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI

FROM:

JAKE STEWART *JWS*
JASPER WELCH *JW*

SUBJECT:

VBB Item - Diego Garcia (U)

Vance sent Carrington a cable on the 19th stating in part:

"We will want to review the adequacy of our 1976 agreement on Diego Garcia. We need to assure that we will have maximum flexibility over the long haul in the use of the facilities . . ."

* The cable, cleared at the Newsom level, is now causing some concern in PM. Specifically, State fears that, when Reggie and McGiffert see the British Saturday in London, McGiffert might float the idea of ceding Diego to the US as a way to "assure maximum flexibility" in the island's use. While we will indeed need almost all of Diego Garcia's 7000 usable acres (we now occupy about 3000 acres) to increase the island's capability to support full-scale RDF operations, raising the notion of ceding it to the US isn't a particularly good idea -- at the very least it would imply a certain dissatisfaction on our part with UK cooperation in this regard, which is not the case. (S)

McGiffert's people tell us that ceding Diego won't be raised by Defense with the British, so State's concern is unjustified. (S)

If the issue does come up, we suggest you take the position that since the British have not demonstrated any significant hesitancy in granting us maximum flexibility in Diego Garcia thus far, the notion of ceding the island is premature. (S)

Resolution:

_____ The issue was not raised.

_____ The issue was raised by Cy. Reggie's instruction:

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January 23, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVID AARON
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FROM: ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI *W*

SUBJECT: V-B-B Lunch Decisions, 1/23/80

1. Secretary Vance reviewed and OK'd the four intelligence findings pertaining to YAR and PDRY. (No action required)
2. Longer Term Military Relationship with Egypt: Harold Brown will develop several options designed to provide Egypt earlier with advanced aircraft for submission to the President. He will also be submitting a proposal regarding long-term cash flow financing. (Hunter/Kimmitt)
3. Diego Garcia: State cable to the British OK'd. (Welch/Stewart)
4. El Salvador: Wait for Bowdler to report and to take up at next V-B-B. In the meantime, check about interception of Cuban planes to Honduras. (Aaron/Pastor)
5. Sensitive Technology Transfers to China: Brown to release the new formulation the day after the President's State of the Union message. (Oksenberg)

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