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MEMORANDUM FOR ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI

FROM: The Situation Room

SUBJECT: Evening Notes

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Greek Cypriot Leadership Prospects: On the basis of personal observation and on highly confidential discussions with a few Greek Cypriot leaders, Ambassador Stone is increasingly concerned about the health of President Kyprianou and the prospects for his continuing in office. His undefined illness is characterized by an inability to make decisions apparently stemming from his own sense of insecurity. (S)

Stone cites deterioration in Kyprianou's ability to control the functioning of his hands and apparent deterioration in his overall awareness. During recent meetings with Prime Minister Thatcher, Kyprianou appeared drugged or highly sedated and his mental processes severely slowed. In dealing with some of his principal associates, our ambassador has been told that the president has broken down, cried, and begged his associates to continue to support him. (S)

Pakistan Requests Immediate Saudi Funding for Military Equipment Purchase: Pakistan has urgently requested Saudi funding with which to purchase surface-to-air and antitank missile systems worth approximately \$306 million, based on various systems the Paks have evaluated from French, U.S., UK, FRG and Swedish suppliers. No decision has been made on the potential supplier because the actual purchase is contingent upon the availability of Saudi funds. (S)

[redacted] the Saudis had only agreed in principle to provide the funding for the missile systems and that it would not make any definite commitments on the size of the funds until the extent of American aid to Pakistan was clarified. (S)

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Iraqi Airlift to Zambia: [redacted]

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[redacted] Iraqi airlift to Lusaka throughout January and February has carried in spare parts for Zambia's MIG-19s and component parts of Soviet tanks. The MIG-19s are the Chinese version, designated the F-6. (S)

Reportedly, the tanks are part of the Zambian-Soviet arms agreement signed last July. [redacted] the tank being delivered is probably the PT-76, which weighs half that of a T-54 and is amphibious.

[redacted] Iraq agreed to transport this military hardware to Zambia last fall in return for Zambia's agreement to buy oil from Iraq.

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