October 22, 1974

Memorandum from William H. Luers, Executive Secretariat, to Winston Lord and Fred Iklé

Citation:


Summary:

Kissinger agreed that in his absence Acting Secretary of State Robert Ingersoll and ACDA Director Fred Iklé should meet with French Ambassador Kosciusko-Morizet and that the British, Germans, and Canadians should receive copies of the five-point paper, and also be informed of the approaches to the French and the Soviets.

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The Secretary has taken the following action on the two attached memoranda (S/S 7420653 and S/S 7420800):

Approved S/P - ACDA proposal to brief the British, Canadians, and Germans of our approach to the Soviets and French; to hand over identical copies of our aide memoire on nuclear export and safeguard policy and to inform DOD, AEC and NSC staff of these approaches.

Authorized the Acting Secretary and Dr. Ikle to receive the French Ambassador on his behalf in order to maintain the high level contacts established on this question with Kosciusko-Morizet and Sauvagnargues.

The Secretary has indicated that none of these actions are to be taken prior to November 1.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
ACTION MEMORANDUM  

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October 22, 1974  

To: The Secretary  
From: S/P - Winston Lord  

Briefing Allies on Nuclear Export Controls  

Per your instructions the British, Canadians, and Germans will be briefed on this subject this week and given copies of the aide memoire on nuclear export and safeguards policies.  

It is not clear whether you have already mentioned this issue to the French Ambassador. As you know, we believe it is important that you call him to indicate your personal interest rather than letting the issue get ground up in the French bureaucracy. The brief talking points are attached again for your use.  

Recommendations:  

1. That if you have not already done so, you call the French Ambassador this afternoon.  

Approve  
No, I have already mentioned this to him  

2. That you authorize the Acting Secretary and Dr. Ikle to receive the French Ambassador on your behalf, in order to maintain the high level contacts established on this question with Kosciusko-Morizet and Sauvagnargues.  

Approve  

Other  

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*Not before end of next week i.e. end of week of Nov. 28 for all of them. HAK  
(LSE interpretes to mean end of week of October 28.)
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C - Mr. Sonnenfeldt
ACDA - Mr. Zurhellen

Attachments:

Tab A - Talking Points
Tab B - Memo to Secretary
   From Messrs Lord and Ikle
Talking Points

1. As I indicated to Foreign Minister Sauvagnargues last month, we share with France and other countries an interest in avoiding proliferation of nuclear weapons.

2. I am asking the Acting Secretary and Dr. Ikle to meet with you when mutually convenient.

3. At this meeting we will expand upon proposals we have in mind regarding safeguards on nuclear exports.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
ACTION MEMORANDUM

To: The Secretary
From: ACDA - Fred C. Ikle
S/P - Winston Lord

October 19, 1974

Nuclear Exporters Meeting

You have approved our recommendation that you telephone the French Ambassador and that we and Hal Sonnenfeldt meet with him before your Moscow trip. As soon as you have called Kosciusko-Morizet, we will schedule our meeting with him. Talking points for your telephone conversation are attached.

We propose to brief the British, Canadians and Germans early this week on our approaches to the Soviets and French and will hand over identical copies of our aide memoire on nuclear export and safeguards policies. (We believe the Germans should be informed because of our previous joint consultations on non-proliferation and their own demarches to Paris for French cooperation in nuclear export controls.)

We will inform DOD, the AEC and the NSC staff of these approaches.

Recommendation:

That you telephone Kosciusko-Morizet today (in view of your trip to Mexico) and that we take the above approach with the British, Canadians and Germans.

Approve ____________

Disapprove ____________

Attachment:

Talking Points

* OK But why tell British, etc., that we have already approached Soviets and France. Just discuss on merits.

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