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NOTES ON A MEETING BETWEEN MINISTER S PERES
AND MINISTER P W BOTHA HELD IN ~~BERN~~ ON
4 JUNE 1975 *Zurich*

- 1 Minister Peres expressed his concern that matters had ground to a halt.
- 2 Minister Botha said that he found the financial conditions too onerous.
- 3 Minister Peres asked Minister Botha to make proposals on re-activating the negotiations.
- 4 Minister Botha refused and suggested that Minister Peres should make proposals.
- 5 At this stage the staffs rejoined the meeting.
- 6 Minister Peres suggested that Minister Botha consider a contribution of 10 to 15% of the investment in development that has been made already in place of the 25% for the light weight fighter and 33% for Burglar, previously proposed.
- 7 Minister Botha said that this was more attractive but that he could not commit himself and requested that his staff be allowed to look at the matter.
- 8 Minister Peres requested an urgent decision on the engine for the light weight fighter. Minister Peres suggested that R.S.A. should consider.
 - 8.1 Purchase *for use for ...*
 - 8.2 Manufacture
 - 8.2.1 Totally in both lands.
 - 8.2.2 Complementary in both countries.

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8.2.3 Total in one or other country.

9 Minister Botha said that he insisted on being able to withdraw from the project - i.e. being able to proceed in phases.

Minister Peres took note. His staff will make proposals on how this can be achieved.

10 Minister Botha expressed interest in a limited number of units of Chalet ^{which he} ~~provide~~ the correct payload could be provided; Minister Peres said that the correct payload was available in three sizes. Minister Botha expressed his appreciation and said that he would ask for advice.

11 Minister Botha said that we have no aggressive intentions and hence Burglar is for us a low priority, even the 3 000 km model. It was stated that the 6 000 km model proposal had been made at the request of R.S.A.

12 Minister Peres asked that R.S.A. should declare their interest in BlueBat and Olive. Minister Botha undertook to do this.

13 Minister Peres asked that R.S.A. should declare their interest in Night Vision equipment. Minister Botha → undertook to do so.

14 Minister Peres offered half of their production of 10 units per month of the new tank to R.S.A. Production to commence in ^{Jan} ~~June~~ 1976, although mention was also made ^{and supply during} ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~in~~ ^{for} December 1976. DEFENCE INTELLIGENCE 27

The cost of the tank was stated to be \$ 810 000 including development charges and based on an order ^{production from 13 JUL 2006} for 1 000 units.