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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: ROBERT BLACKWILL *RB*

FROM: CONDOLEEZZA RICE *CR*

SUBJECT: Talking Points for a Telephone Call to Chancellor Kohl

The talking points for the President's telephone call to Chancellor Kohl are at Tab I.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the talking points for use in the President's phone call to Chancellor Kohl.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

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By CA NARA, Date 7/30/10

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POINTS TO BE MADE IN TELEPHONE CALL TO HELMUT KOHL

LITHUANIA

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

- I am very concerned about reports that the Soviets may be preparing to carry through on their threat of economic sanctions against Lithuania.
- Our information suggests that Moscow has not yet actually carried out these measures but we are watching the situation very closely.
- We are also starting to consider what actions we might take if the threats are carried out.
- I want to preserve the overall relationship if at all possible because so many positive developments are taking place in Eastern Europe and in arms control.
- But I have said that efforts to repress the Lithuanian independence movement would adversely affect U.S.-Soviet relations.
- We will probably look to take some action in the economic sphere. What do you think would be the best Western response to further Soviet strangulation of Lithuania?
- I think that economic steps would be appropriate given that the Soviets are using economic leverage against the Lithuanians.

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- As you know, I am meeting with Francois tomorrow.
- We will talk about developments in Europe and the Soviet Union.
- Are there any issues that you would like me to raise with him?

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