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001a. memo	For the President from Samuel Berger. Subject: Message to President Yeltsin on Kosovo. [Record ID: 9901159] [Duplicate of kh444_001d, 2009-1290-M] (1 page)	02/19/1999	P1/b(1)
001b. letter	Letter from Russian President Yeltsin to President Clinton. [English Translation] [Duplicate of kh444_001e, 2009-1290-M] (2 pages)	02/17/1999	P1/b(1)
001c. letter	Letter from Russian President Yeltsin to President Clinton. [Russian] [Duplicate of kh444_001f, 2009-1290-M] (2 pages)	02/17/1999	P1/b(1)
002. memo	Summary of Conclusions for Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee, February 19, 1999. [Record ID: 9901230] [partial] (1 page)	02/22/1999	P3/b(3)
003. memo	Summary of Conclusions for Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee, February 20, 1999. [Record ID: 9901243] [partial] (1 page)	02/22/1999	P3/b(3)
004. agenda	NSC Deputies Committee Meeting on Brcko. [Record ID: 9901253] (1 page)	02/23/1999	P1/b(1)
005. memo	Summary of Conclusions for Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee, February 24, 1999 [Record ID: 9901322] [partial] (1 page)	02/25/1999	P3/b(3)
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FROM: PRESIDENT

DOC DATE: 19 FEB 99
SOURCE REF:

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SINCERELY,
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TO: AMEMBASSY (MOSCOW)
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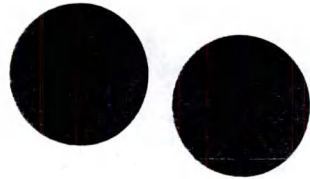
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 19, 1999



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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL BERGER

THROUGH: CARLOS PASCUAL *CP*

FROM: ANDREW WEISS *AW*

SUBJECT: Reply to President Yeltsin on Kosovo

The memorandum at Tab I recommends a Presidential message to President Boris Yeltsin on Kosovo. The message underscores the seriousness of the situation in Kosovo and the need to apply maximum pressure on Milosevic to ensure a successful outcome at Rambouillet.

Concurrence by: Leon Fuerth, Miriam Sapiro *AW for*

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Attachments

- Tab I Memorandum for the President
- Tab A Message to President Yeltsin
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 22, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: MIRIAM SAPIRO *MS*

SUBJECT: POTUS Telephone Call with Hashim Thaqi

Attached at Tab I is a schedule proposal for a POTUS telephone call to Hashim Thaqi, head of the Kosovo Albanian negotiating team on February 22, 1999.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the schedule proposal at Tab I.

Attachment

Tab I Schedule Proposal

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TO: Stephanie Streett

FROM: Samuel Berger

REQUEST: Telephone call to Hashim Thaqi, Head of the Kosovo Albanian negotiating team.

PURPOSE: To persuade Thaqi not to walk away from the negotiations.

BACKGROUND: The Rambouillet peace talks have stalled. Hashim Thaqi, who has emerged as the leader of the Albanian delegation, said this morning that he cannot sign, probably under pressure from senior KLA leadership.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: The President has never talked to Thaqi.

DATE AND TIME: February 22, 1999, TBD

BRIEFING TIME: 5 minutes

DURATION: TBD

LOCATION: Oval Office

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Hashim Thaqi

REMARKS REQUIRED: To be provided by NSC.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 22, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: MIRIAM SAPIRO *MS*

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 19, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on February 19.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. LEON FUERTH
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SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 19, 1999 (S)

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on February 19, 1999. (S)

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: February 19, 1999
LOCATION: Situation Room
TIME: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions of Deputies Committee Meeting
on Kosovo ~~(S)~~

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
James Steinberg

JCS:
Joseph Ralston
Scott Fry
George Casey

OVP:
Leslie Davidson

USNATO:
Alexander Vershbow (via secure
voice)

State:
Thomas Pickering
James Pardew
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Greg Schulte (via secure voice)

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Special Envoy:
Christopher Hill (via secure
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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The timing of the KVM drawdown should depend on the judgment of Ambassador Walker. (Action: State) (U)
- We should seek agreement at the NAC on a follow-up package to an air campaign intended to deter Serb repression against Kosovo Albanians. (Action: State) (S)

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 26, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR GLYN T. DAVIES

FROM: MIRIAM SAPIRO *MS*

SUBJECT: Deputies Committee Meeting on Kosovo on
February 20, 1999

At Tab I is statement for the record that there were no conclusions reached at the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve and file for the record.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachment
Tab I Summary of Conclusions

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM: GLYN T. DAVIES

SUBJECT: Deputies Committee Meeting on Kosovo on
February 20, 1999

A Deputies Committee meeting, chaired by James Steinberg, was held on February 20, 1999 from 7:30 to 10:00 a.m., in the White House Situation Room. The subject was Kosovo.

Deputies were briefed on developments in the settlement negotiations. There are no conclusions for the record.

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February 22, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: MIRIAM SAPIRO

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 20, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on February 20.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for Signature
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: February 20, 1999
LOCATION: Situation Room
TIME: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions of Deputies Committee Meeting
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PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
James Steinberg

USNATO:
Alexander Vershbow (via secure
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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- Ordered departure from Belgrade should begin on February 22 if it appears that only the Serb side will not agree to the text. In such case, KVM withdrawal would begin on February 23.
(Action: State) (S)
- The Executive Committee should examine options for addressing a situation in which both sides do not accept the agreement.
(Action: All) (S)

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 22, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: MIRIAM SAPIRO

SUBJECT: POTUS Meeting with Congressional Leaders --
February 23, 1999

Attached at Tab I is the memorandum to the President forwarding information and the talking points for his meeting with Congressional leaders.

Concurrences by: Miles Lackey, James Baker, Steven Simon

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for the President
Tab A Talking Points

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

SUBJECT: Meeting with Congressional Leaders --
February 23, 1999

There are two foreign policy issues that I recommend you raise with the leadership. The first is Kosovo, which I will update you on tomorrow morning, just before the 9:00 a.m. deadline for the negotiations to end. While it is possible there will be developments overnight, we are preparing for a "no" from both sides.

The second issue is embassy security. The FY 2000 budget request includes \$3.0 billion in advance appropriations for a five-year program of embassy construction. This would be in addition to the \$1.4 billion FY 99 emergency supplemental for embassy security. Admiral Crowe, whose review board recommended \$12 billion over 10 years, has sharply criticized our request. Although we are now reviewing the FY 2000 request, which we may want to increase, we believe that \$3 billion is adequate overall, given State's ability to manage a large construction program and competing government-wide budget priorities. In anticipation that appropriators will resist an advanced appropriation, your talking points emphasize your commitment to embassy security, the need for an advance appropriation, and your desire to work with Congress to get the embassy construction done.

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Tab A Talking Points

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cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

POINTS TO BE MADE
WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Kosovo

- Want to bring you up to date on Kosovo. It's obvious we'd like to get a peace agreement -- best way to end Serb repression and create genuine autonomy for Albanians.
- If satisfactory agreement reached, I'll want to consult closely and seek your support for participation in NATO-led implementation force.
- We have three clear interests at stake:
 - First, clear interest in protecting stability in key part of Europe and our investment in Bosnia. If we don't try to stop conflict now, it's going to spread. And if it spreads, we won't be able to stop it except at far greater risk and cost.
 - Second, we've got an important interest in averting another humanitarian catastrophe in Kosovo and more Serb atrocities this spring.
 - Finally, we have key interest in preserving NATO's credibility as a guarantor of European stability, and U.S. credibility as leader of NATO.
- Even though parties have made progress in talks in France, agreement may prove impossible right now. We've said from the beginning we will try our hardest to broker agreement, but has got to be real agreement. Kosovar delegation may seek more time to return home to build consensus around quite far reaching autonomy provisions, short of their preference for independence.
- If Kosovars then decide that settlement under discussion meets their core needs, we'll put greater pressure on Serbs to accept. NATO will play important role in these efforts.
- If Serbs agree to deal, both parties will ask NATO to lead the peace implementation force.

- In the meantime, threat of NATO air strikes hopefully will deter Milosevic from launching another brutal offensive. NATO air assets, including U.S. planes, have been prepositioned to be ready to move quickly if needed. If threat of strikes not enough to persuade him, we'll at least damage his ability to continue repressive measures.
- Know you have spoken frequently with Madeleine, Bill and Sandy. If it looks like NATO may be called upon to use force either on ground or in air, I'll want to discuss this with you in greater detail.

If pressed about a House vote on deployment:

- Welcome broadest possible support for any deployment and will work with you to that end.

[Note: In our view Congressional authorization is not required for a permissive/consensual ground deployment or the air strikes contemplated. Thus we would welcome an expression of support but would not seek it.]

If pressed (by Hastert) to refrain from deployments until Congressional vote:

- Can't make that absolute commitment, but we will keep in close touch as this evolves.

If asked about War Power Resolution (WPR) or Roberts Amendment reporting requirement for strikes or deployment:

- In event of air strikes, we would report to Congress consistent with the WPR within 48 hours after strikes.
- Roberts Amendment does not apply to air strikes. It is limited to ground unit deployments. A report would be provided before deploying additional ground forces to the FRY, Macedonia or Albania.

If pressed about exit strategy for deployment:

- Our commitment would not be open-ended, but rooted in a realistic exit strategy. Learning from Bosnia, key to this is not setting automatic deadlines, but creating benchmarks for critical conditions needed for self-sustaining peace.

- Have shaped peace agreement with exit strategy firmly in mind. Provides for removal of most Serb forces and demilitarization of KLA. Will eliminate Serb repression and give Kosovars back control over their own lives. With OSCE help, Kosovars can develop political institutions needed for self-government and build own police force for law and order.
- May still be a need for over-the-horizon capabilities to deter a return of Serb security forces to Kosovo, but should no longer be need for international force in Kosovo.

If pressed on costs of deployment:

- Recognize that costs on military and civilian side would be significant -- preliminary estimates for FY-99 are \$1.5-2 billion for military and civilian implementation -- and would need to seek emergency supplemental request.
- Does not seem possible to rely on offsets or use recently increased defense spending for readiness and modernization.

Embassy Security

- The security of U.S. embassies is not just desirable. It is essential.
- I am determined to protect the safety of the men and women who represent the United States overseas.
- It is important to realize that this cannot be done overnight. It is a multi-year project.
- This is why I asked for an advance appropriation of \$3 billion for new embassy construction.
- To carry out this ambitious project efficiently and quickly, the State Department needs to know that the resources will be available.
- We must work together toward the goal -- which we all share -- of protecting our people overseas.

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February 23, 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR

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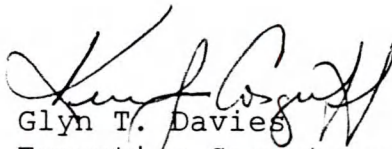
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SUBJECT: DC Meeting on Brcko -- February 25, 1999 (c)

There will be Deputies Committee meeting on Brcko on
February 25, 1999 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. in the White House
Situation Room. An agenda is attached. (c)


Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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Tab A Agenda

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 23, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

THROUGH: MIRIAM SAPIRO

FROM: MICHAEL HURLEY

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SUBJECT: Deputies Committee Meeting on Brcko --
February 25, 1999

Attached at Tab A is the agenda for the Deputies Committee meeting on Brcko to be held on February 25, 1999.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the agenda and authorize Glyn Davies to sign the memorandum to agencies at Tab I.

Approve SS/NH Disapprove _____

Attachments

- Tab I Memorandum to Agencies
- Tab A Agenda

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

February 25, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: MIRIAM SAPIRO *MS*

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 24, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on February 24.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
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MEMORANDUM FOR

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Assistant to the Vice
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Acting Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 24, 1999 (S)

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on February 24, 1999. (S)

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: February 24, 1999
LOCATION: Situation Room
TIME: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions of Deputies Committee Meeting
on Kosovo (S)

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
James Steinberg

CIA:
John Gordon

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OVP:
Leon Fuerth
Leslie Davidson

JCS:
Joseph Ralston
George Casey

State:
Thomas Pickering
Marc Grossman
James Pardew
James Dobbins

USNATO:
Douglas McElhaney (via secure
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Donald Kerrick

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Robert Kyle
Bryan Smith

NSC:
Miriam Sapiro
Miles Lackey
David Leavy
Michael Hurley
Chuck Allen
Matthew Vaccaro

Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The CIA would prepare an assessment of (1) the Kosovar Albanian military/political situation; and (2) Milosevic's situation, including potential leverage against him. (Action: CIA) ~~(S)~~
- State would prepare a detailed gameplan for the next few weeks designed to achieve the following objectives: (1) keeping the Kosovars on board; (2) bringing the Serbs along; (3) getting Allied and Russian support; and (4) preventing an outbreak of hostilities. It is particularly important to develop new ways of increasing pressure on Serbia. (Action: State) ~~(S)~~

February 26, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Mission to Kosovo by
Senator Dole

Attached at Tab I for your signature is a memorandum to the President regarding a proposed Presidential Mission by Senator Dole to Kosovo.

Legal has reviewed this proposal in light of the criminal laws and rules involving de facto government employees. In the event Dole were asked to carry out further missions or to negotiate, they would need to reconsider Dole's status as a private citizen.

Concurrence by: James Baker *[Signature]* 1.55

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

Attachment

Tab I Memorandum for the President

THE WHITE HOUSE

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Mission to Kosovo by
Senator Dole

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Purpose

To attain your agreement to sending Bob Dole on a Presidential Mission to Kosovo to deliver a message to the Kosovar Albanians that they should support an interim political settlement.

Background

At the recently-concluded discussions at Rambouillet, the Kosovar Albanian delegation accepted the interim settlement endorsed by the Contact Group subject only to technical review and two weeks of consultations in Kosovo. Our objective is to assist the Kosovar Albanians in reaching a final "yes" prior to the resumption of talks on March 15.

To this end, Madeleine Albright has spoken to Bob Dole about his travelling to Kosovo to deliver a message that Kosovar Albanians should support an interim political settlement. Dole is respected in Kosovo and is already active in the former Yugoslavia as Chairman of the International Commission on Missing Persons. He is ready to take on this task, and is available for a 3-4 day mission starting the end of next week.

I agree that Dole's involvement would help advance a settlement while demonstrating both in Kosovo and at home bipartisan support for the approach we are taking. Given Dole's stature, Madeleine and I believe that his trip should be designated as a Presidential mission.

Dole's visit would be a one-time mission undertaken as a private citizen at the President's request. He would neither be paid

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cc: Vice President
Chief of Staff

nor exercise federal authority, e.g. by negotiating on behalf of the government.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve sending Bob Dole to Kosovo on a Presidential mission and direct the Department of Defense to provide the necessary airlift support.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

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MEMORANDUM FOR

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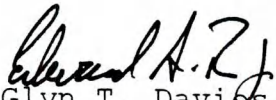
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SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 26, 1999 (C)

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Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: February 26, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions of Deputies Committee Meeting
on Kosovo (S)

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
James Steinberg

CIA:
John Gordon

(b)(3)

OVP:
Leon Fuerth
Leslie Davidson

JCS:
Joseph Ralston
George Casey

State:
James Dobbins
James Pardew

USNATO:
Alexander Vershbow (via secure
voice)

Defense:
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Joseph Kaufmann

White House:
Donald Kerrick

USUN:
Alan Romberg

NSC:
Greg Schulte
Miles Lackey
David Leavy
Michael Hurley
Matthew Vaccaro

OMB:
Robert Kyle
Bryan Smith

Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The USG should press for early agreement on an interim settlement for Kosovo in accordance with the overall approach

contained in the State Department paper on "Getting to March 15." This should include:

- using Senator Dole's visit to Kosovo, a KLA visit to Washington and outreach to Albanian-Americans to help confirm Kosovar Albanian agreement to the interim settlement prior to March 15;
- continuing to put pressure on Belgrade, including through the dispatch of senior-level envoys, independent of the position of the Kosovar Albanians; and
- continuing to link the threat of air strikes to both agreement on an interim settlement and FRY compliance with its October commitments. (Action: State, DOD)

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February 26, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG


FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on February 26, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on February 26.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the summary of conclusions at Tab A and authorize that it be distributed to agencies.

Approve  Disapprove _____

Attachments

Tab I Memorandum for Signature
Tab A Summary of Conclusions