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009d. talking points	Points to be Made for Telephone Conversation with President Gligorav of Macedonia. [Record ID: 9902422] [Duplicate of kh451_001p (1.98, 2009-1290-M)]. (1 page)	04/02/1999	P1/b(1)
009e. talking points	Points to be Made for Telephone Conversation with the Hill Leaders. [Record ID: 9902422] [Duplicate of kh451_001i (1.91, 2009-1290-M)]. (3 pages)	04/02/1999	P1/b(1)
009f. talking points	[Duplicate of 008e; 9902422] [page 3 only] (1 page)	04/02/1999	P1/b(1)
010. briefing paper	Telephone Call with Secretary Javier Solana and General Wesley Clark, March 25, 1999. [Record ID: 9902127] [Duplicate kh750_001a & 001b, 2006-0325-F; vz6275_003, this case] (3 pages)	03/25/1999	P1/b(1)
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WASHINGTON

Schedule Proposal

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PENDING

TO:

Stephanie Streett

FROM:

Samuel Berger *(K) TM*

REQUEST:

Phone calls to Secretary Javier Solana and General Wesley Clark

PURPOSE:

Secretary Solana

To review current situation with Secretary General Javier Solana and ensure NATO allied consensus remains strong.

General Wesley Clark

To pass your appreciation for a well-executed operation and ask his assessment of the current situation.

BACKGROUND:

Phase One of the air campaign, now in its second day, continues successfully. Secretary General Solana and SACEUR General Clark are the key diplomatic and military managers of NATO's action against Serbia.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION:

Multiple times.

DATE AND TIME:

March 25, time TBD

BRIEFING TIME:

5 minutes

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20 minutes

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PARTICIPANTS:	The President Secretary General Solana General Wesley Clark
REMARKS REQUIRED:	To be provided by NSC
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CONTACT:	Greg Schulte, x69101
ORIGIN OF THIS PROPOSAL:	NSC

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 19, 1999

MEETING WITH
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON KOSOVO

DATE: March 19, 1999

LOCATION: Cabinet Room

TIME: 10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER *Ken [unclear] for [unclear]*I. PURPOSE

To build Congressional support for our strategy on Kosovo, including possible U.S. participation in NATO air strikes.

II. BACKGROUND

Your Foreign Policy Team today briefed the Senate on our strategy for Kosovo. Strong reservations were raised about the wisdom of air strikes, our follow-on strategy and the possible loss of American lives. Many argued that the Administration has still to make the case to the Congress and the American people about the possible requirement for air strikes, particularly in light of the risks to U.S. pilots.

Last week, the House approved a non-binding resolution supporting the deployment of U.S. Armed Forces in a NATO implementation force in the event of an agreement. The House Resolution called on the President to report on several specific issues before the deployment began. It did not, however, address the question of NATO air strikes.

Although the Senate has not yet voted on the issue of Kosovo, several proposals have been introduced to restrict or prohibit U.S. military action. An amendment by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson would prohibit deployment until the President meets certain objectionable criteria. Other amendments would prohibit deployment (both ground and air) without congressional authorization. Debate on these amendments, as well as one requiring prior Congressional authority for air strikes, had originally been scheduled for Thursday, but have been put off until Monday-Tuesday.

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III. PARTICIPANTS

See list at Tab B.

IV. PRESS PLAN

None.

V. SEQUENCE

I recommend that you make a short introduction (see Tab A) then be prepared to hear and address the members' concerns.

Attachments

Tab A Talking Points, Questions and Answers
Tab B Participants List

TAB A

TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON KOSOVO

- Thank you for coming on short notice. Events related to Kosovo are moving quickly, and we may need to take a series of difficult decisions in the days ahead.
- Many of you were briefed yesterday by my Foreign Policy Team on our Kosovo strategy.
- The aim of that strategy is to prevent further violence and humanitarian suffering, while creating the basis for a political solution.
- Implementing that strategy involves placing maximum pressure on President Milosevic to accept the interim settlement that was put on the table at Rambouillet. This settlement would give self-government to Kosovo, remove the bulk of Serb security forces and invite the deployment of a NATO-led force to help ensure implementation.
- The Kosovar Albanians have now taken the courageous decision to sign the agreement, even though it does not secure their goal of independence and requires the demilitarization of the Kosovar Liberation Army.
- However, thus far Belgrade has refused to negotiate seriously. More ominously, Milosevic has said that his forces could quickly defeat the KLA if only the international community would let them. We can't, given the violence, suffering and atrocities that his military and police leave in their wake.
- Based on past experience, we believe that only an imminent threat of force will cause Milosevic to change course. Thus, the strategy that we are pursuing with our NATO allies is meant to face Milosevic with an ever-increasing prospect of air strikes.
- Let me be clear: Our preference is not to strike Serbia. Rather, we are seeking an interim settlement and the pull-back of Serb forces. But we must be ready to join our allies in conducting substantial air strikes if Milosevic chooses a military over a political solution.

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- And we also must be ready, if the initial strikes do not succeed, with a large package, in order to deter Milosevic from attacking Kosovo and damage Belgrade's ability to continue its repression.
- As you've heard from General Shelton, air strikes are not without risk. There is a risk to our pilots. There is a risk of civilian casualties on the ground. And there is a risk that Milosevic or the KLA would use them as an excuse to mount new offensives. We will minimize these risks, but we cannot eliminate them.
- But there are serious risks in backing down and backing away from the warnings issued by NATO. Milosevic's strategy has always been to encourage division and undermine our political will. If he senses any lack of resolve, all prospects for securing an interim settlement will quickly vanish. Instead, Milosevic may decide it is safe to unleash a massive offensive. In a test of wills between the West and Milosevic, who has been the cause of 10 years of war in the Balkans, Milosevic would win and the U.S. would pay a heavy price.
- There would also be real risk to NATO. If we break with our allies for the first time in NATO's 50 year history, NATO will be defeated for the first time and American leadership will be gravely injured.
- NATO succeeded in bringing peace to Bosnia. But we all learned a number of difficult lessons from the long, painful path to the Dayton Accords. One is the need to demonstrate unity and political will in the face of a determined aggressor. Another is the need to act early to head off aggression. We need your support to apply these lessons in Kosovo.
- If we are not prepared to act now, we may find ourselves needing to act later, with greater cost and greater risk and after further violence and suffering.

If asked whether the risks of military action are justified:

- We have important interests at stake:
 - protecting regional stability and progress in Bosnia;

- averting a humanitarian disaster and further atrocities;
- NATO's credibility and U.S. leadership.
- No natural boundary to violence in this volatile part of Europe. Continued fighting has potential to:
 - re-ignite anarchy in Albania;
 - destabilize Macedonia;
 - exacerbate Greek-Turkish rivalries;
 - create thousands more refugees and serve as breeding ground for international criminals, drug traffickers and terrorists.
- Military action carries important risks. But failure to act could carry greater consequences, that might force us to intervene at a later date when the costs and risks are even greater.

If asked about the objective of air strikes:

- Objective is not to conduct air strikes, but to prevent further bloodshed and achieve a political solution.
- However, if Milosevic remains defiant and out of compliance, objective of initial air strikes would be to demonstrate NATO's seriousness, disrupt his military capabilities and deter further attacks.
- If initial strikes do not succeed in changing his course, NATO has planned follow-on strikes that would seriously damage his ability to conduct repressive operations in Kosovo.

If asked about our strategy if bombing fails:

- We anticipate that the air strikes would seriously damage Belgrade's ability to conduct operations in Kosovo. NATO would reserve the right to conduct additional air operations if necessary.
- We would also step up our efforts to contain the violence, stabilize neighboring countries and isolate Milosevic.

If asked whether the NATO allies will support air strikes:

- NATO's Council met today to review military planning, and allies made clear their determination to bring the full weight of Alliance air assets to bear in addressing Serb intransigence and preventing further violence.
- European allies have committed a substantial number of aircraft, and the UK is prepared to commit its first TLAM submarine.

If asked whether the United States is "going to war" with Serbia or violating its sovereignty:

- We do not intend to go to war with Serbia, or commit any act of aggression.
- We would be acting to end violence that threatens the fragile stability of the Balkans and that risks creating another humanitarian crisis.
- After careful consideration, we and our allies have concluded that there are legitimate grounds to threaten and, if necessary, use military force.
- President Milosevic who has demonstrated little regard for sovereignty in initiating wars against Croatia and Bosnia, can hardly now hide behind claims of sovereignty.

If asked why we are not focusing on Milosevic as the source of the conflict:

- We have said in the past that Milosevic is the source of problems in the Balkans, not the solution. There is little doubt that long-term stability in Kosovo and the region as a whole must go hand-in-hand with democratization in Belgrade.
- Unfortunately, we have little choice but to deal with Milosevic now. But we are also working to support independent media and opposition parties in Serbia, as well as democratic reform in Montenegro. My new budget proposes a significant increase in funding for such programs.

TAB B

Tab B

**PARTICIPANTS LIST
TO BE PROVIDED**

March 23, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

THROUGH: MIRIAM SAPIRO *MS*
FROM: MICHAEL HURLEY *CH*
SUBJECT: Talking Points for POTUS Phone Calls to
Congressional Leadership

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum for the President forwarding
talking points for phone calls to Congressional Leadership.

Concurrence by: Miles Lackey *4/4/99
MT*

RECOMMENDATION

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

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Tab I Memorandum for the President
Tab A Talking Points

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER
LARRY STEINSUBJECT: Talking Points for Phone Calls to Congressional
Leadership

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Purpose

For use in phone calls to brief Congressional Leadership on
initiation of air strikes.

Background

Prior to execution of Phase I NATO air strikes in Kosovo, it is
important to speak again with the Congressional leadership.
Your meeting this morning was critical in terms of building
Senate support for our policy. Your letter to Senator Lott
today asking for legislative support as we address the crisis in
Kosovo should satisfy some concerns. In your calls it will be
important to stress that the United States must stand with NATO
and that there are clear U.S. interests at stake. It is also
important to reinforce that military action will be limited to
air strikes, and that we are not contemplating the introduction
of U.S. ground forces into a non-permissive environment.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the Talking Points at Tab A.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

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Tab A Talking Points

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March 29, 1999

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 29, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on March 29.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

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Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. LEON FUERTH
Assistant to the Vice
President for National
Security Affairs

MS. KRISTIE A. KENNEY
Executive Secretary
Department of State

COL. JOSEPH REYNES, JR.
Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

MS. AMBER BASKETTE
Staff Assistant to the
Representative of the U.S.
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MR. JOHN PODESTA
Chief of Staff to the
President

MR. THOMAS H. WOLFE
Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 29, 1999 ~~(C)~~

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the
Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 29, 1999. ~~(C)~~

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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March 29, 1999

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on March 30.

RECOMMENDATION

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Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: March 30, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:

James Steinberg

OVP:

Richard Saunders

Leslie Davidson

State:

Thomas Pickering

James Dobbins

James Pardew

Julia Taft

Defense:

Walter Slocombe

Joseph Kaufmann

USUN:

Nancy Soderberg (via SVTS)

Alan Romberg

CIA:

John Gordon

(b)(3)

JCS:

Joseph Ralston

George Casey

USNATO:

Alexander Vershbow (via secure
voice)

White House:

Donald Kerrick

NSC:

Greg Schulte

David Leavy

James Baker

Eric Schwartz

Miles Lackey

Michael Hurley

Matthew Vaccaro

Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- DOD would meet State Department's requests for logistic support to humanitarian relief efforts for refugees in Albania and Macedonia. (Action: DOD) (U)

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- State should dispatch to Albania to assist in humanitarian relief efforts a number of U.S. contractors who had been assigned as part of the U.S. contribution to the OSCE's Kosovo Verification Mission. (Action: State) (U)

March 30, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on March 30.

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
Assistant to the Vice
President for National
Security Affairs

MS. KRISTIE A. KENNEY
Executive Secretary
Department of State

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Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

MS. AMBER BASKETTE
Staff Assistant to the
Representative of the U.S.
to the United Nations

MR. JOHN PODESTA
Chief of Staff to the
President

MR. THOMAS H. WOLFE
Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999 (C)

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the
Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999. (C)

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

Attachment
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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004. memo	Summary of Conclusions for Meeting of the NSC Principals Committee, March 30, 1999. [Record ID: 9902295] [Released in Part, Per E.O. 13526] (1 page)	03/30/1999	P1/b(1)

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FOLDER TITLE:

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Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Principals Committee

DATE: March 30, 1999
LOCATION: Situation Room
TIME: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
Samuel Berger

OVP:
Richard Saunders
Leslie Davidson

State:
Madeleine Albright
Strobe Talbott
Thomas Pickering
James Dobbins
James Pardew

Defense:
William Cohen
Walter Slocombe

USUN:
Peter Burleigh (via SVTS)
Nancy Soderberg (via SVTS)

CIA:
George Tenet
John Gordon

JCS:
Hugh Shelton
Edward Anderson

USNATO:
Alexander Vershbow (via secure
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Special Envoy:
Richard Holbrooke (via secure
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White House:
James Steinberg
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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The USG should mount a rapid, concerted effort to provide humanitarian assistance to the rapidly increasing number of refugees leaving Kosovo. (Action: DOD) (U)
- The NSC Principals should recommend to the President that there be no "pause" in NATO air strikes during the Easter holiday. (Action: NSC) (~~S~~)
- The USG should press NATO to intensify air operations, including strikes against high-value targets north of 44 degrees north as now authorized by the NATO Council. (Action: NSC, State, DOD) (~~S~~)
- The USG should not rule out the option of training and equipping the Kosovar Albanians for their own self-defense. (Action: All) (~~S~~)
- The USG should take steps to accelerate the post-Milosevic era. (Action: All) (~~S~~)

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March 29, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 29, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on March 29.

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. LEON FUERTH
Assistant to the Vice
President for National
Security Affairs

MS. KRISTIE A. KENNEY
Executive Secretary
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Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

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MR. STEVEN RICCHETTI
Chief of Staff to the
President

MR. THOMAS H. WOLFE
Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 29, 1999 (C)

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 29. (C)

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

Attachment
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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005. memo	Summary of Conclusions for Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee, March 29, 1999. [Record ID: 9902257] [partial] (1 page)	03/29/1999	P3/b(3)

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: March 29, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:

James Steinberg

JCS:

Joseph Ralston

George Casey

OVP:

Richard Saunders

Leslie Davidson

USNATO:

Alexander Vershbow (via secure
voice)

Douglas McElhaney (via secure
voice)

State:

Thomas Pickering

James Dobbins

James Pardew

Julia Taft

White House:

Donald Kerrick

Defense:

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Joseph Kaufmann

NSC:

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David Leavy

James Baker

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Michael Hurley

Matthew Vaccaro

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John Gordon

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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- State should contact UN High Commissioner Ogata and the French government to encourage a positive attitude to NATO involvement in supporting humanitarian relief. (Action: State) ~~(C)~~
- State should develop the text of a security assurance for front-line states. (Action: State) ~~(C)~~
- The USG should adopt a more forward-leaning public affairs posture on NATO air operations to complement briefings by NATO. (Action: All) ~~(C)~~
- State should assure President Djukanovic that Montenegro would not be targeted by NATO air strikes other than as required for force protection. (Action: State) ~~(S)~~

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March 29, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 27, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on March 27.

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. LEON FUERTH
Assistant to the Vice
President for National
Security Affairs

MS. KRISTIE A. KENNEY
Executive Secretary
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COL. JOSEPH REYNES, JR.
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MR. THOMAS H. WOLFE
Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 27, 1999 ~~(C)~~

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 27, 1999. ~~(C)~~

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

Attachment
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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006. memo	Summary of Conclusions for Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee, March 27, 1999. [Record ID: 9902256] [partial] (1 page)	03/29/1999	P3/b(3)

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: March 27, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:

James Steinberg

OVP:

Richard Saunders

State:

Strobe Talbott

James Dobbins

James Pardew

Julia Taft

Defense:

Walter Slocombe

Joseph Kaufmann

USUN:

Nancy Soderberg (via SVTS)

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USNATO:

Alexander Vershbow (via secure
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White House:

Donald Kerrick

NSC:

Greg Schulte

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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- Deputy Secretary Talbott should lead an inter-agency team to the front-line states to provide reassurance and announce additional economic assistance. (Action: State) ~~(C)~~
- The concept of enforced compliance with October commitments should be presented to Principals for their consideration. (Action: State/NSC) ~~(C)~~

March 26, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *JS*

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

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

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2014-0544-M

MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. LEON FUERTH
Assistant to the Vice
President for National
Security Affairs

MS. KRISTIE A. KENNEY
Executive Secretary
Department of State

COL. JOSEPH REYNES, JR.
Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

MS. AMBER BASKETTE
Staff Assistant to the
Representative of the U.S.
to the United Nations

MR. STEVEN RICCHETTI
Chief of Staff to the
President

MR. THOMAS H. WOLFE
Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

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

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 26, 1999. (C)

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

Attachment
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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FOLDER TITLE:

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

2206

Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: March 26, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:

James Steinberg

OVP:

Richard Saunders

Leslie Davidson

State:

Thomas Pickering

James Dobbins

James Pardew

Defense:

Walter Slocumbe

Joseph Kaufmann

USUN:

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Nancy Soderberg (via SVTS)

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John Gordon

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JCS:

Joseph Ralston

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Alexander Vershbow (via secure
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Charles Skinner (via secure
voice)

White House:

Donald Kerrick

NSC:

Greg Schulte

David Leavy

James Baker

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Michael Hurley

Matthew Vaccaro

Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- State should circulate to allied governments reports on atrocities being committed by Serb security forces. (Action: State) (S)

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- JCS should review military planning to ensure that maximum progress is made toward the agreed military objectives prior to a possible "pause." (Action: JCS) ~~(S)~~

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March 26, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *JS*

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
SVTS on Kosovo on March 25, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Deputies Committee SVTS on Kosovo that you chaired on March 25.

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. LEON FUERTH
Assistant to the Vice
President for National
Security Affairs

MR. STEVEN RICCHETTI
Chief of Staff to the
President

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MR. THOMAS H. WOLFE
Executive Secretary
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Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

MS. AMBER BASKETTE
Staff Assistant to the
Representative of the U.S.
to the United Nations

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
SVTS on Kosovo on March 25, 1999 ~~(C)~~

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee SVTS on Kosovo on March 25. ~~(C)~~

Glyn T. Davies
Executive Secretary

Attachment
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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Summary of Conclusions for
NSC Deputies Committee SVTS

DATE: March 25, 1999
LOCATION: SVTS
TIME: 8:45 - 9:45 a.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
James Steinberg

CIA:
John Gordon

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OVP:
Richard Saunders
Leslie Davidson

JCS:
Joseph Ralston
Scott Fry
George Casey

State:
Thomas Pickering
James Dobbins
James Pardew

White House:
Donald Kerrick

Defense:
Walter Slocombe
Joseph Kaufmann

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

USUN:
Peter Burleigh
Nancy Soderberg

Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

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- In reassuring front-line states, the USG should avoid any implication that NATO is providing automatic security guarantees. (Action: State) (C)
- The EXCOMM should examine options for providing humanitarian relief to ethnic Albanian refugees. (Action: NSC, State) (C)

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

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March 31, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *GS*

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Telephone Conversation with
Secretary General Javier Solana

Attached at Tab A is the President's telephone conversation with
Secretary General Solana.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached Memorandum of Telephone Conversation be filed
for the record.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachment

Tab A Telcon with Secretary Solana

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telcon with Secretary General Javier Solana
(U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Secretary General Javier Solana

Notetaker: Bonnie Glick, Jenny McGee,
Miles Murphy, James Smith

DATE, TIME March 25, 1999, 2:19 - 2:25 p.m.
AND PLACE: Oval Office

Secretary General Solana: Hello? (U)

The President: Hello, Javier? (U)

Secretary General Solana: Mr. President, how are you? (U)

The President: How are you? (U)

Secretary General Solana: Fine. Thank you very much.
Everything is holding up here very well. (U)

The President: Well, the first day went well. ~~(C)~~

Secretary General Solana: All the information I have is very
positive. You have received a briefing, I saw on television.
Impacts and all that. ~~(C)~~

The President: Yes. (U)

Secretary General Solana: I think the first day has been a
success. I don't have anything confirmed, but some of the
allies, Italy and Greece in particular, but I think we'll hold
them together. ~~(S)~~

The President: I think you have more influence on them than I
do. I made the best case I could to the American people but my
concern is that if there is a pause between Phase I and

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Phase II, Milosevic will clearly doubt our will to continue. Even Chirac told me, and he has been ... on a pause, "I'm only for this pause for one night and two full days to work and only if Milosevic agrees to cease all offensive action." Which of course, he has not done. ~~(S)~~

Secretary General Solana: Do you see he has broken diplomatic relations? There's that note. I think we have to continue to maintain the solidarity among the countries and go ahead. ~~(S)~~

The President: Yes. What about our efforts to reassure front-line countries? ~~(S)~~

Secretary General Solana: I'll take care of that. I have reassured them. I talk to them just about every day. I heard from the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Defense from Albania. This afternoon I talked to the Albanian Prime Minister and Gligorov this morning for 45 minutes, almost one hour on the phone. It will not be a problem. They are very nervous, but we try to keep them in good contact and good shape. We have to do it every day but it is worth it. ~~(S)~~

The President: What about Russia? ~~(C)~~

Secretary General Solana: Well, Russia is a tricky problem we have. My impression is that they don't want to get isolated. So the fact that in the Security Council they were isolated yesterday. My report is that Primakov is not happy with that situation, so they have to play it inside in a manner not to break the chance of communicating. From Brussels, they have withdrawn their military representative but the Ambassador is staying. I received him last night and he is going to stay. I keep talking to him. I tried to do my best to maintain the channels open. This suggestion by Yeltsin for a Contact Group meeting, I don't know how it will be taken. I saw that D'Alema said it would be a good idea and Minister Verdine of France said that, too. I don't know if this is going to grow or not but we have to do our best to maintain channels with Russia. We have invested a lot, we have a good avenue, but it is true that we cannot consider this. ~~(S)~~

The President: Yes, I agree. You've got the key on the second phase? ~~(C)~~

Secretary General Solana: Yes, the second phase will be on consultations after General Clark thinks it is necessary. He has to convey to me that he needs it, then I take a brief

consultation mechanism, much as the first, and put it in at his disposal. ~~(C)~~

The President: I think the key is if Milosevic hasn't stopped the military aggression, we have to push ahead. ~~(S)~~

Secretary General Solana: Yes. (U)

The President: We are working with the Russians and may find a way to put this back on track. ~~(C)~~

Secretary General Solana: That is very good. That will relax some of the Europeans too. Something we have to keep in mind is that next week is Holy Week for the Catholic countries and it may be a complication. The week before Easter for the Catholic countries, from next Wednesday is very complicated -- festivities. We have to keep that in mind to make our calendar. ~~(S)~~

The President: Yes. I will talk to our people about that. I don't know if anyone has considered that. We need to keep that in mind in terms of challenging him. It's not the Orthodox -- ~~(S)~~

Secretary General Solana: First is the Catholic, then the Orthodox. For the Greeks it will be difficult. I imagine the Pope will say something during Holy Week, so we have to take care to have much of the work done before -- ~~(S)~~

The President: Got it. Well, thank you very much. (U)

Secretary General Solana: Mr. President, all the best and good luck. I saw you on television and it was a great success. Are you happy with it? ~~(C)~~

The President: Yes. Now, this is not a happy thing. ~~(C)~~

Secretary General Solana: Yes, yes. I mean happy with the reaction of the American people. ~~(C)~~

The President: Oh, yes. They've been very good. ~~(C)~~

Secretary General Solana: Well, thank you very much for calling and we'll keep in touch. Goodbye. (U)

The President: Goodbye. (U)

-- End of Conversation --

April 2, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM:

ANTONY BLINKEN *fy*

SUBJECT:

Presidential Telephone Calls to President Chirac;
Prime Minister Aznar; Prime Minister Chretien;
President Gligorov; and Hill Leaders

Attached at Tab I is your memorandum to the President forwarding talking points for his telephone calls to President Chirac; Prime Minister Aznar; Prime Minister Chretien; President Gligorov; Hill Leaders.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Attachments

Tab I Memo to the President

Tab A	Points to be Made to President Chirac
Tab B	Points to be Made to President Aznar
Tab C	Points to be Made to Prime Minister Chretien
Tab D	Points to be Made to President Gligorov
Tab E	Points to be Made to the Hill Leaders

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TELEPHONE CALLS WITH PRESIDENT CHIRAC; PRIME MINISTER AZNAR;
PRIME MINISTER CHRETIEN; PRESIDENT GLIGAROV; HILL LEADERS

DATE: April 3, 1999

LOCATION: TBD

TIME: TBD

FROM: SAMUEL BERGER

I. PURPOSE

Chirac, Aznar and Chretien: Secure their support for an intensification of the NATO air campaign and the widening of the targets involved. For Chirac: Ensure his support for an expedited target approval process.

Gligarov: To reassure the President Gligorov of our commitment to help Macedonia maintain their security and deal with enormous refugee problems.

Hill Leaders: To update the Leaders on status of the air campaign, our humanitarian response, and our detained soldiers.

II. BACKGROUND

Chirac is outside Paris for Easter. He and Jospin continue to make strong public statements about the righteousness of NATO's cause and the challenge Milosevic poses to the construction of a peaceful, free and democratic Europe. [Jospin this week moved swiftly to keep his coalition in line, rebuking the Greens, Communists and Interior Minister for questioning NATO's campaign in public.] Public support for NATO is holding steady at about 50 percent. There is deep concern about the humanitarian plight of the Kosovars; France announced \$15 million in bilateral aid for refugees, and contributed to a \$40 million EU package. Increasingly, French commentators are speculating about ground troops. Chirac continues to insist that is not an option.

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Aznar is spending the Easter Holiday in Southern Spain. He will travel on Monday to Hungary and will spend next weekend with Tony Blair at a country estate in the UK. He had planned to travel privately to the U.S. this week and had explored the possibility of an informal visit with you. His plans changed and he withdrew this request in mid-March. He will appreciate hearing that you look forward to seeing him at the NATO Summit.

Spain has been a staunch supporter of Operation Allied Force. In addition to two F-18s and a C-130 tanker participating in the air campaign, Spain has opened its bases at Rota and Moron to us for aircraft beddown and refueling operations. Madrid also has allocated \$1 million in refugee assistance and dispatched 10 tons of humanitarian supplies to Albania. In addition, the Spanish Red Cross has contributed 30 tons of aid, including blankets, first aid kits and generators.

Aznar has been consistently strong in his public statements on Kosovo. In a speech to Parliament this week, he said Spain's involvement was vital -- we cannot sit idly by to watch the "extermination" of Kosovo's Albanians. Despite a general aversion to using force, Spain's major political parties, including the opposition Socialists, have given Aznar their support.

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Chretien asked you to call him; he flew from Canada's newest territory, Nunuvak, to Florida, to visit his granddaughter who was badly injured this week in a riding accident. The Canadians have "wobble-free" in supporting NATO's actions in Kosovo -- you should acknowledge this. They contributed a number of combat aircraft -- CF-18's, and considering sending more, in addition to \$10 million in aid.

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You should be aware that Madeleine had to postpone a meeting with Axworthy on the New York -- Canada peace bridge at Niagara that was to highlight our extensive border cooperation. Should Chretien raise, you should agree that it be rescheduled as soon as Madeleine's and Axworthy's schedules allow.

Gligarov is concerned about the huge influx of Kosovar Albanian refugees into Macedonia and the impact that this is having on Macedonia's fragile economy and uneasy ethnic balance. (There are 400,000 ethnic Albanian citizens in Macedonia, comprising about 20 percent of the population.) Gligarov is also worried that Macedonia might become engulfed in a wider Balkan war. Ambassador Chris Hill summarizes the situation as follows: "Macedonia is in the fight of its short life, and needs every bit of encouragement we can provide."

You should reassure Gligarov of our support for Macedonia as demonstrated by the provision of increased humanitarian and economic assistance, Strobe's trip, and NATO's decision to support the humanitarian relief work there in anyway it can. Along with the additional \$50 million in humanitarian relief support to the region, Strobe will announce a \$50 million economic assistance package, of which \$29 million will go to Macedonia.

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Attachments

Tab A Points to be Made to President Chirac
Tab B Points to be Made to President Aznar
Tab C Points to be Made to Prime Minister Chretien
Tab D Points to be Made to President Gligorov
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POINTS TO BE MADE FOR
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH
PRESIDENT JACQUES CHIRAC

- What's happening in Kosovo immoral and outrageous. We cannot tolerate ethnic cleansing this last year of the 20th century.
- Much at stake for Europe, the European Union, the United States and NATO. We cannot fail.
- However our military response is being perceived as ineffective -- not only by our publics, but also by the leadership in Belgrade. Not just the weather -- targeting process has also been broken.
- We agreed to expand the range of targets on Tuesday, but only on Friday night did we hit the type of targets to make Milosevic think twice.
- We need to continue striking high-value targets, including in Belgrade -- not only military forces and air defense but command and control, infrastructure and broadcast facilities that are directing, supporting and inciting the violence.
- Striking a wider range of targets will damage Belgrade's capability to conduct his offensive. And by imposing an increasingly unacceptable cost, it will force Milosevic to reconsider his refusal of an agreement.
- If we don't hit hard now, Milosevic will feel immune from any penalty. He will seek to complete his ethnic cleansing before NATO further escalates.
- NATO's political authorities cannot micromanage NATO targeting on a day-to-day basis. Instead, we need to give our commanders authority to strike a broad range of targets as long as the civilian casualties can be kept to a minimum.
- I understand that our military advisors have discussed a targeting review process that would expedite targeting, while ensuring appropriate political review of targets that could cause a large number of casualties or that are of national

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significance. I am satisfied with the procedures, and hope that you can also accept them.

- With Milosevic's thugs packing trains with Albanians, we must not undercut the military and political impact of NATO's operations. Instead, we must show our determination and resolve by intensifying our strikes.

Russia

- Contacts with Russians mixed. Albright talked to Ivanov. Said we welcome any/all proposals to solve the conflict diplomatically. But before any meeting takes place, need to ensure it has a productive outcome.
- She outlined areas of common ground based on concessions Russia got from Serbs last June and U.S.-Russian agreements:
 - no repression of civilian population; withdraw Serb security forces to permanent locations; unhindered return of refugees and displaced persons; unhindered access by humanitarian organizations; international civilian implementation force.
- Areas where we disagree are use of force and international security presence.
- Key point: if we can reinforce common principles and agree on an **international security presence**, we might have the basis for an effective meeting.
- Ivanov seemed intrigued, but responded Friday with disappointing nonpaper. Although he backed off insisting on G-8 meeting, he denied Milosevic is repressing civilians and called for KLA to be disarmed.
- Want to keep Russians engaged diplomatically, but have to impress on them that they cannot continue to deny ethnic cleansing. They're isolated, look terrible internationally.
- Our foreign ministers called for Contact Group meeting Wednesday at political director level. Seems like right step to me. Expect Russians will insist on a cease-fire, but have to stay firm that cease-fire depends on Milosevic's.

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MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: GREG SCHULTE *GS*

SUBJECT: Presidential Telephone Calls to Secretary General
Javier Solana and General Wesley Clark

Attached at Tab I is your memorandum to the President forwarding talking points for his telephone calls to Secretary General Solana and General Clark.

RECOMMENDATION

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

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Tab I Memo to the President
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Assistant to the Vice
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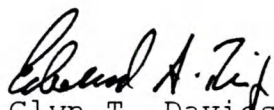
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Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

COL. M. MANNING, USMC
Secretary, Joint Staff

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

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the Deputies
Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 26, 1999. ~~(C)~~


Glyn T. Davies
tn Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Deputies Committee

DATE: March 26, 1999
LOCATION: Situation Room
TIME: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:

James Steinberg

OVP:

Richard Saunders

Leslie Davidson

State:

Thomas Pickering

James Dobbins

James Pardew

Defense:

Walter Slocombe

Joseph Kaufmann

USUN:

Peter Burleigh (via SVTS)

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CIA:

John Gordon

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JCS:

Joseph Ralston

Scott Fry

Edward Anderson

USNATO:

Alexander Vershbow (via secure
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Charles Skinner (via secure
voice)

White House:

Donald Kerrick

NSC:

Greg Schulte

David Leavy

James Baker

Miles Lackey

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Matthew Vaccaro

Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- State should circulate to allied governments reports on atrocities being committed by Serb security forces. (Action: State) ~~(C)~~

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- JCS should review military planning to ensure that maximum progress is made toward the agreed military objectives prior to a possible "pause." (Action: JCS) ~~(S)~~

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES STEINBERG

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 
SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Deputies Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 26, 1999

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

Approve 

Disapprove _____

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Tab I Memorandum for Signature

Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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Secretary, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee
Meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999 (C)

Attached at Tab A is the summary of conclusions for the
Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999. (C)


Glyn T. Davies
for Executive Secretary

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Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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Summary of Conclusions for
Meeting of the NSC Principals Committee

DATE: March 30, 1999

LOCATION: Situation Room

TIME: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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

PARTICIPANTS:

Chair:
Samuel Berger

CIA:
George Tenet
John Gordon

OVP:
Richard Saunders

JCS:
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Thomas Pickering
James Dobbins

USNATO:
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Summary of Conclusions

It was agreed that:

- The USG should mount a rapid, concerted effort to provide humanitarian assistance to the rapidly increasing number of refugees leaving Kosovo. (Action: DOD) (U)
- The NSC Principals should recommend to the President that there be no "pause" in NATO air strikes during the Easter holiday. (Action: NSC) (S)
- The USG should press NATO to intensify air operations, including strikes against high-value targets north of 44 degrees north as now authorized by the NATO Council. (Action: NSC, State, DOD) (S)
- The USG should not rule out the option of training and equipping the Kosovar Albanians for their own self-defense. (Action: All) (S)
- The USG should take steps to accelerate the post-Milosevic era. (Action: All) (S)

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March 30, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR SAMUEL R. BERGER

FROM: GREG SCHULTE 

SUBJECT: Summary of Conclusions for Principals Committee Meeting on Kosovo on March 30, 1999

The memorandum at Tab I summarizes the conclusions from the Principals Committee meeting on Kosovo that you chaired on March 30.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Approve  Disapprove _____

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Tab I Memorandum for Signature
Tab A Summary of Conclusions

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