

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

January 12, 1984

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM: WILLIAM F. MARTIN *WFM*

SUBJECT: Iraq-Iran Emergency Energy Working Groups

Summary. Ed Meese has decided that the Iraq-Iran Emergency Energy Working Groups should begin work immediately despite continued State Department objections to the organizational structure. As a result, a joint meeting of the DOE chaired Energy Response Working Group and the NSC chaired International and National Energy Security Working Group has been tentatively scheduled for this Friday, January 13 at 10:30 a.m. Secretary Hodel will be attending the meeting with Mr. Meese scheduled to deliver some opening remarks.

Background. The agenda for Friday's meeting (Tab I) is designed to provide participants with: background on the President's decision establishing the two working groups, a preliminary identification of the issues, and the proposed organization of the groups (Tab II).

The NSC chaired group will consist of three staff working groups. These groups will be responsible for examining international economic policy and military fuel requirements as well as coordinating bilateral consultations. A detailed outline of issues to be considered is included at Tab III.

I have had a set of talking points (Tab IV) prepared for you to use in making a few, brief introductory remarks if you are able to attend the meeting. An attempt will be made to schedule Friday's meeting into Room 208.

RECOMMENDATION

That you plan to attend Friday's meeting and deliver a few opening remarks on the implications for our national security of a possible expansion of the Iraq-Iran war.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

- Tab I Agenda
- II Proposed organization chart
- III Outline
- IV Talking points

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