

The Director of Central Intelligence

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Economic Sanctions: An Historical and Conceptual Analysis

On 7 August you asked that we undertake a historical and conceptual analysis of the use of economic sanctions in a variety of political settings. This study includes these thirteen case histories of the application of sanctions:

- 1935-36 League of Nations Sanctions on Italy
- 1948-Present Arab League Boycott of Israel
- 1960 USSR Sanctions on PRC
- 1961-62 OAS/US Sanctions on Dominican Republic
- 1962-Present US/OAS Sanctions on Cuba
- 1965-79 UK/UN Sanctions on Rhodesia
- 1971 French Sanctions on Algeria
- 1973-74 OAS/US Sanctions on the United States
- 1977-80 US Sanctions on Pakistan
- 1978-79 US Trade Embargo on Uganda
- 1980-81 US Sanctions on Iran
- 1980-81 US Sanctions on USSR (Afghanistan)
- 1982 EC Sanctions on Argentina

Drawing on the information in these case studies as well as on open literature, we have examined each of the elements affecting the formulation and implementation of sanctions. The result is a framework for understanding the potential and limitations of sanctions as a foreign policy instrument, which can be used to assess whether to impose sanctions as a sponsor and how to respond to sanctions as their target.

I find it an extraordinary piece of research and analysis and most interesting and think we should publish it. What is your view?

C
William J. Casey

Attachment:
Economic Sanctions: An Historical and Conceptual Analysis

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