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SUBJECT: Atlantic Council Discussion on New Soviet Trade Policies

1. As you know, I have been talking to the Atlantic Council on ways for us better to draw on some of their interesting work and contacts. The first fruit of these talks has emerged. The Atlantic Council would like our participation at a 2 1/2 hour session on new Soviet trade initiatives (including joint ventures), their implications for Soviet domestic policy, foreign policy, and US national security policy. The meeting will be held at the Atlantic Council, 1616 H Street, from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, 27 October.

2. The meeting will be briefed in particular by Jim Giffen, currently director of the US-USSR Trade Council who is directly involved in negotiations. Other invited participants include several people from the Hill involved in these issues, Bill Verrity, former chairman of ARMCO and former director of the US-USSR Trade Council, U. Alexis Johnson, Dale Good (in charge of foreign policy issues at AFL-CIO), Bob Hormatt, Brent Scowcroft, and Walter Stoessel.

3. President Reagan, Baldrige, Whitehead, Poindexter, Matlock, Ty Cobb and former President Nixon, have all been briefed on the current initiative and are strongly interested in the issue.

4. If this session goes well, we may try to participate with the Atlantic Council in a number of other broader kinds of brainstorming sessions. The Council has an impressive variety of local talent to draw upon.



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