

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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ACTION
March 21, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

A. Denis Clift *ADC*

SUBJECT:

Schedule Proposal for General Goodpaster

General Andrew Goodpaster will be in Washington on March 26 to testify before a subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee. He has informed General Haig in the message at Tab B that he would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with the President that afternoon.

In my opinion, the suggested meeting would be useful not only because it would allow the President to review current NATO/SHAPE issues with Goodpaster but also because the press coverage would offer another indication of the importance the President continues to attach to NATO/Atlantic Alliance issues.

If you agree, the schedule proposal for your signature to the President at Tab A would recommend that he meet with General Goodpaster.

Jan Lodal (Ben Huberman for) concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That you sign the schedule proposal at Tab A.
2. With the President's approval, that General Scowcroft have the SHAPE liaison office in the Pentagon informed that the meeting has been scheduled.

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Completed.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

Date: March 22, 1974

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger

VIA: David N. Parker

MEETING: General Andrew J. Goodpaster, Supreme Allied
Commander, Europe

DATE: March 26, 1974, afternoon

PURPOSE: To review current NATO issues

FORMAT: Oval Office, 15 minutes

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking Points will be provided

PRESS COVERAGE: To be announced; press photo opportunity

STAFF: Henry A. Kissinger

RECOMMEND: Henry A. Kissinger

BACKGROUND: General Goodpaster will be in Washington to testify
before a House Armed Services Subcommittee on the
morning of March 26. He has indicated that he would
greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you
that afternoon to review NATO issues of current interest.

I believe it would be useful to have General Goodpaster
update the discussions he had with you a year ago on
such issues as force levels and European military
developments. He would also find it helpful to have
your guidance on current developments in US-European
and East-West relations.

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Additionally, the meeting would serve to demonstrate the importance you attach to the Atlantic Alliance and the issues involved in SHAPE's field of responsibility.

APPROVE _____ DISAPPROVE _____

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TO GENERAL HAIG THE WHITE HOUSE WASH DC

UNCLAS E F T O SHP 0912 EYES ONLY

1. I WILL BE IN WASHINGTON ON 26 MARCH TO TESTIFY (IN THE MORNING) BEFORE A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE. IF THE PRESIDENT SHOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEEING ME IN THE AFTERNOON FOR A TALK ABOUT NATO, I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE THE CHANCE TO MEET WITH HIM. I ALSO HOPE TO MEET WITH HENRY KISSINGER, BUT GATHER HE IS LIKELY TO BE EN ROUTE TO RUSSIA AT JUST THAT TIME.

2. SHAPE LIAISON OFFICE, IN THE PENTAGON, CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH ME.

3. BEST REGARDS.

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*****WHSR COMMENT*****

GEN. HAIG

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