

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT**  
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11	IG				
12	Compt				
13	D/Pers				
14	D/OLL				
15	D/PAO				
16	SA/IA				
17	AO/DCI				
18	C/IPD/OIS				
19	C/NE/DO	X			
20	NIO/NESA		X		
21	NIO/USSR		X		
22	D/NESA/DI		X		
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Remarks

*J. H. White*  
Executive Secretary

29 Nov 84

Date

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Near East Division, DO

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: New Soviet Initiative in the Middle East

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1. Here is a speculation [redacted]

[redacted] which I would like to have checked out.

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2. Based on what seems to be a sudden shift in attitude and activities on the part of Dr. Hammer, President of Occidental Petroleum, who frequently travels back and forth to Moscow, [redacted] the possibility of a new Soviet initiative in the Middle East. Hammer's oil company, Occidental, has Libya as a major commitment. This commitment has now been reduced considerably and Hammer, formerly said to be anti-Zionist, has suddenly warmed up to Israel. He spoke at a Zionist dinner in Los Angeles on November 18 at which he publicly promised to organize a syndicate to find oil in Israel.

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[redacted] The question raised is what Qadhafi's reaction is to getting out of Libya and warming up to Israel. [redacted]

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3. Take a look at what all this might add up to. [redacted] speculating it presages a new Soviet initiative in the Middle East.

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William J. Casey



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