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THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 19, 1980

SUBJECT:

Summary of Conclusions for May 14 PRC Meeting on Argentina (C)

Attached is a copy of the Summary of Conclusions of the May 14 PRC meeting on Argentina. Note that the President is inclined to move faster in improving our relationship with Argentina. (S)

Zbigniew Brzezinski

Attachment

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POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING May 14, 1980

TIME AND PLACE: 10:30-11:15 a.m.; White House Situation Room

SUBJECT:

Summary of Conclusions -- PRC Meeting

on Argentina (C)

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The PRC met to discuss US-Argentine relations in light of your concern about the development of closer ties between Argentina and the Soviet Union. It was agreed that we should continue to seek improvement in our relations with Argentina, recognizing

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Extended by Zbigniew Brzezinski

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May 16, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI

SUBJECT:

Summary of Conclusions -- Argentine PRC

May 14, 1980 (C)

The Summary of Conclusions reached at the May 14 PRC meeting on Argentina is attached for your approval. Per our conversation at Camp David, the Chairman, Warren Christopher, has reviewed and OK'd the Summary.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve the attached summary.

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CONFIDENTIAL WITH SECRET ATTACHMENT Review on May 14, 1981 Charge to
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that probably no dramatic progress (or, for that matter, detericration) is likely until there is a new government in Buenos
Aires in early 1981. In the next few weeks we may have to
show our displeasure over Argentina's likely failure to be
cooperative on the grain embargo; on the other hand, we can
justify some positive steps in the relationship by the improving trend of Argentina's human rights performance. (S)

Looking to the longer-term, and assuming continuing improvement in human rights matters, we would propose a systematic effort to strengthen our ties with Argentina. This could ultimately lead to full normalization and perhaps repeal of legislative restrictions on military supply. (S)

This timetable should help deflect the Argentinians from too close a relationship with the Soviets -- a relationship that is in any event probably self-limiting due to the nature of the Argentine regime. (S)

All agencies supported this consensus; both Commerce and Defense however, made clear in the course of the discussions that they want to press for more rapid improvement in the relationship than do the other agencies. Defense was particularly concerned that our human rights and nuclear policies were forcing Argentina to draw close to the USSR. An interdepartmental Group will be set up to provide an opportunity to fine-tune our policies to meet the needs and concerns of individual agencies in line with the broad policy structure agreed upon. (S)

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