

MEMO

TO: RJL

FROM: CHRIS

SUBJ: TALKING POINTS REGARDING CODEL HATCH TO ASIA

The following are brief talking points regarding your recent trip to Asia:

CHINA -- You met with various high-level Chinese officials, including HU QILI (from the Chinese Communist Party, and an heir to Deng's legacy), XU XIN (from the Chinese People's Liberation Army and also head of the Chinese Intelligence Services) and WU XUEQIAN (the Chinese Foreign Minister). While in China you discussed important bilateral issues such as the Soviet threat, Sino-American defense cooperation, trade, and the economic reform and modernization program instituted under Deng. You noted the many changes in China since your last visit, including the new building projects and the greater freedoms allowed the Chinese people.

PAKISTAN -- You met with not only high-level Pakistani government officials, including President ZIA and Prime Minister JUNEJO, but also with leaders of the various Afghan "freedom fighters" or mujahideen. You congratulated the Pakistanis on their return to civilian rule, and urged that continued efforts in the direction of democracy and political pluralism be undertaken. Issues discussed with Pakistani leaders also included the Soviet threat from neighboring Afghanistan, Pakistani humanitarian assistance to the Afghan refugees and Pak-Indo relations. Increased understanding of the needs of the Afghan rebel commanders was achieved during these meetings.

INDIA -- During your brief visit to India, you met with Indian Foreign Minister BHANDARI, to discuss Indo-American bilateral and other issues. Included among these were Pak-Indian relations, the Indian government's position on the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan, Indian nuclear weapons development plans, and technology cooperation between the U.S. and India.

THAILAND -- Your time spent in Thailand was devoted to gaining a greater understanding of the needs of the anti-communist resistance forces currently fighting the Vietnamese in Cambodia. You met with leaders of the two main resistance groups, the KPRLF and the ANS, and toured those group's joint military operations command center (newly-created) and a Cambodian refugee camp on the border.

THE PHILIPPINES -- Your short trip to the Philippines was spent reviewing U.S. facilities at Subic Bay and Clark Airfield. You received so-called "Command Briefings" from high-level U.S. military personnel as well as tours of the two posts.

TAIWAN -- In Taiwan, you met with President Chiang, the Premier, the Foreign Minister and the Defense Minister, to discuss the importance of the Taiwan Relations Act to maintaining Taiwan's security, trade issues, and Sino-American relations. The visit strengthened the already close relations between the people of Taiwan and the American people.

KOREA -- Met with President CHUN, the Defense Minister and others, regarding bilateral issues, including defense cooperation, trade, etc.