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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH:     ROBERT BLACKWILL

FROM:     CONDOLEEZZA RICE

SUBJECT: ·     Talking Points for a Telephone Call to Chancellor Kohl

The talking points for the President's telephone call to Chancellor Kohl are at Tab I.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the talking points for use in the President's phone call to Chancellor Kohl.

        Approve _____          Disapprove _____

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E.O. 12958, SEC 3.4 (B) September 11, 2006
By ____ NARA, Date 7/30/10

POINTS TO BE MADE IN ~~TELEPHONE CALL~~ TO HELMUT KOHL

LITHUANIA                                    THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

--    I am very concerned about reports that the Soviets may be
preparing to carry through on their threat of economic
sanctions against Lithuania.

--    Our information suggests that Moscow has not yet actually
carried out these measures but we are watching the situation
very closely.

--    We are also starting to consider what actions we might take
if the threats are carried out.

--    I want to preserve the overall relationship if at all
possible because so many positive developments are taking
place in Eastern Europe and in arms control.

--    But I have said that efforts to repress the Lithuanian
independence movement would adversely affect U.S.-Soviet
relations.

--    We will probably look to take some action in the economic
sphere.  What do you think would be the best Western
response to further Soviet strangulation of Lithuania?

--    I think that economic steps would be appropriate given that
the Soviets are using economic leverage against the
Lithuanians.

--    As you know, I am meeting with Francois tomorrow.

--    We will talk about developments in Europe and the Soviet Union.

--    Are there any issues that you would like me to raise with him?