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THROUGH: UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (POLICY)  
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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Field Marshal Mohamed Abdel Abu Ghazala  
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of  
Defense and Military Production  
Arab Republic of Egypt  
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Colleague,

*that*  
As our staffs prepare for the second meeting of the US-  
Egyptian Military Coordinating Committee, I wish to express my  
regret at not being able to attend. You are quite aware, I know,  
of the tremendous effort ~~which will be~~ necessary for this Admini-  
stration to convince the Congress of the vital need for our ~~fiscal~~  
*5 Year* 1984 defense budget. Consequently, I feel I must keep both myself  
and my new Deputy, Paul Thayer, available for the congressional  
budget hearings.

Bing West, my Assistant Secretary, will lead the US delegation  
to the MCC. Lieutenant General Kingston, the Commander-in-Chief of  
our new Central Command, plus a most representative and responsible  
set of officials from the Defense and State Department and National  
Security Council will accompany him. They will be prepared to exam-  
ine the full range of issues of mutual concern including a thorough  
review of the logistics support program.

It was a pleasure to see President Mubarak on his recent visit  
to Washington. From my perspective it was a useful exchange, and  
I feel optimistic that the support of the Egyptian nation continues  
to be key in our search for peace in the Middle East.

I look forward to our next meeting and the opportunity to  
share thoughts and ideas with you.

Sincerely,

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FROM DSAA -OPS-C

SUBJ: EGYPTIAN MOD LETTER TO SECDEF

REF: A. OMC 03600/031627Z FEB 83

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THE ORIGINAL OF THE LETTER IS BEING FORWARDED VIA STATE DEPARTMENT POUCH TO THE OMC. QUOTE: FIELD MARSHAL MOHAMED, ABDEL HALIM ABU GHAZALA, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND WAR PRODUCTION, ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT, MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, CAIRO, EGYPT,

DEAR COLLEAGUE: I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR LETTER CONCERNING OUR SUPPORT OF YOUR F-16 FIGHTER AIRCRAFT PROGRAM. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU OF MY SUPPORT FOR THIS PROGRAM AND CONSIDER IT ONE OF OUR NATION'S MOST IMPORTANT SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

THE AIR FORCE HAS INFORMED ME THAT ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE F-16 AEROSPACE GROUND EQUIPMENT (AGE) SPARES HAVE BEEN DETERMINED AND THAT THE PARTS HAVE BEEN ORDERED. THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF SPARES WAS MADE IN SEPTEMBER 1982, AND THE EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE SHOULD BE RECEIVING THESE ITEMS. THE AIR FORCE IS NOW RESEARCHING, THROUGH YOUR FREIGHT FORWARDER, THE EXACT STATUS AND LOCATION OF ALL EGYPTIAN AGE SPARES. OUR DELEGATION WILL BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS THESE MATTERS IN DETAIL WITH YOUR STAFF DURING THE MILITARY COORDINATING COMMITTEE (MCC) MEETING LATER THIS MONTH.

SINCERELY, CASPAR WEINBERGER. BT

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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

10 FEB 1983

Field Marshal Mohamed  
Abdel Halim Abu Ghazala  
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister  
of Defense and War Production  
Arab Republic of Egypt  
Ministry of Defense  
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Colleague:

I have received your letter concerning our support of your F-16 fighter aircraft program. I want to assure you of my support for this program and consider it one of our nation's most important security assistance programs.

The Air Force has informed me that all of the requirements for the F-16 Aerospace Ground Equipment (AGE) spares have been determined and that the parts have been ordered. The first shipment of spares was made in September 1982, and the Egyptian Air Force should now be receiving these items. The Air Force is now researching, through your freight forwarder, the exact status and location of all Egyptian AGE spares. Our delegation will be prepared to address these matters in detail with your staff during the Military Coordinating Committee (MCC) meeting later this month.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

*copy* ~~THROUGH~~ UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY

SUBJECT: Egyptian Minister of Defense Abu Ghazala's  
Dissatisfaction with U.S. Support of the F-16 Aircraft  
Program (U) -- ACTION MEMORANDUM

Minister of Defense Abu Ghazala has sent a letter complaining that the Egyptian Air Force (EAF) has not received any spare parts for the F-16 aircraft ground support equipment nor has the USAF established a delivery date for the spare parts (Tab C.) At Tab D is a short summary of the problem and corrective actions already taken by the USAF.

The USAF's corrective actions had started prior to the MOD's letter, and the EAF was aware of this. The U.S. Military Coordinating Committee team will be prepared to discuss this issue and others along with items we feel the Egyptians must correct to ensure the success of the F-16 program.

At Tab A is a proposed letter to MOD Abu Ghazala and at Tab B a cable transmitting the letter to our OMC.

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UNCLAS FEB 83.

SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN SPARE PARTS SUPPORT

1. LETTER FROM MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND MILITARY PRODUCTION, FIELD MARSHAL MOHAMED ABDEL HALIM ABOU GHAZALA IS HEREIN QUOTED FOR YOUR REVIEW.

QUOTE

DEAR MR. CASPER WEINBERGER  
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU ABOUT THE FOLLOWING:

1. IN SEPTEMBER 1980, THE USAF AGREED TO PROVIDE AEROSPACE GROUND EQUIPMENT (AGE) IN SUPPORT OF THE PEACE VECTOR I (40 F-16 A/B AIRCRAFT) PROGRAM. CONTRACT(S) FOR AGE SPARES WERE DELAYED BECAUSE THE AMERICAN SIDE DID NOT PREPARE AND FORWARD THE LISTS OF THE PARTS TO EAF FOR APPROVAL IN A TIMELY MANNER. LISTS OF THESE PARTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN FORWARDED EARLY IN THE PROGRAM PER PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS AND LETTER OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE REGULATIONS. THE EAF STILL HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY SPARE PARTS FOR THE AGE, AND THE USAF HAS NOT ESTABLISHED A DELIVERY DATE FOR THE SPARES.

2. WORK ON AGE HAS STOPPED BECAUSE THERE ARE NO SPARE PARTS AVAILABLE. REQUIRED AGE PERIODIC INSPECTIONS ARE OVERDUE SINCE AUGUST 1982. ALL WORK IS COMPLETED UNDER THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EAF AND A LACK OF SPARES SUPPORT CREATES DANGER TO THE EQUIPMENT AND THE SAFETY OF THE AIRCRAFT ON THE FLIGHTLINE AND IN MAINTENANCE.

3. THE LACK OF SPARE PARTS WILL CAUSE GROUNDING OF THE F-16 FLEET IN JANUARY 1983. THIS IS BECAUSE THE AMERICAN SIDE REFUSED TO GIVE ANY OFFICIAL GUARANTEE FOR THE OPERATION AND SAFETY OF THE AIRCRAFT IN EGYPT AFTER EAF AGREED TO EXTEND PERIODIC INSPECTIONS BEYOND TECHNICAL ORDER SPECIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS.

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PLEASE RECEIVE MY DEEP COMPLIMENTS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR USUAL COOPERATION.

SIGNED FIELD MARSHAL MOHAMED ABDEL HALIM ABOU GHAZALA.

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3.	HYD T.S. (MJ-2AJ)	6	3		3
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6.	AIR COMP, ELECT	1	1		
7.	DUCT HEATER (HDU-13)	2			2
8.	MOTOR GEN (MC-1A)	3		3	
9.	HYD T.S. (MK-3A)	3		1	2
10.	CABIN PRESS TESTER	3		3	
11.	BOMB LIFT, (MHU-83)	5		4	1
12.	BOMB LIFT, (MJ-1)	8		6	2
13.	AIR COMP (MC-2A)	16		6	10
14.	LITE UNIT (MF-2)	3		2	1
	TOTAL	41	38	50	24

AGE EQUIPMENT COLUMNS CONTINUED.

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2. OMC COMMENTS: EAF IS GENUINELY CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF SPARE PARTS AND CONSUMABLES FOR REPAIR/INSPECTIONS OF CRITICAL FLIGHTLINE AGE FOR PEACE VECTOR I, F-16. THIS AREA OF SUPPORT WAS MADE AN ACTION ITEM IN 1980 DURING INITIAL DEFINITIZATION. EACH ITEM OF AGE THAT REQUIRED SPARES WAS IDENTIFIED AND THE APPLICABLE AIR LOGISTICS CENTER (ALC) WAS TASKED TO PRODUCE A SPARES LISTING FOR EAF DEFINITIZATION. THE LISTINGS COULD NOT, HOWEVER, BE PRODUCED UNTIL THE MANUFACTURER OF EACH ITEM WAS IDENTIFIED. IN MID-1982, THE FIRST LISTINGS WERE PRODUCED. AT THIS TIME, SPARES FOR ALL BUT 12 OF THE 78 ITEMS IDENTIFIED HAVE BEEN DEFINITIZED. THE LACK OF THE CONSUMABLES, I.E., FILTERS, HARDWARE, ETC., HAS FORCED THE EAF TO USE THE AGE PAST THE SCHEDULED INSPECTION DATE. WHILE USAGE PAST THE SCHEDULED DATE WILL NOT HURT THE AIRCRAFT, IT MIGHT CAUSE PREMATURE FAILURE OF THE AGE. THE EAF IS OVERLY CONCERNED THAT THE AGE WILL FAIL AND THIS CAUSE FLYING TO STOP. DUE TO THE LATE IDENTIFICATION OF MANUFACTURERS AND PREPARATION OF LISTS, SPARES WERE NOT ORDERED UNTIL THE 2ND HALF OF CY 82. CURRENT STATUS REFLECTS 2,800 ITEMS ORDERED THRU 15 OCT 82 (ALL PRI 06) WITH 80 PERCENT SHIPPED. FREIGHT FORWARDER CONFIRMS THAT 1551 OF THEM HAVE BEEN SHIPPED TO EGYPT. SINCE OCT 82, ANOTHER 1,400 PLUS HAVE BEEN ORDERED. IN ADDITION, GENERAL DYNAMICS HAS BEEN TASKED TO EXPEDITIOUSLY PROVIDE MISSING ITEMS NECESSARY TO PERFORM THE SCHEDULED INSPECTIONS. IN-COUNTRY EFFORTS TO LOCATE ALL SHIPPED PARTS CONTINUE. THE PROGRAM GOT OFF TO A SLOW START BUT IS NOW IN HIGH GEAR. WE EXPECT THE SITUATION TO BE RESOLVED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

3. ORIGINAL TO FOLLOW BY MAIL. BT

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- Issue: Many critical items of flight line support equipment do not have spare parts at Anshas Air Base, Egypt.

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Field Marshal Mohamed  
Abdel Halim Abu Ghazala  
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister  
of Defense and War Production  
Arab Republic of Egypt  
Ministry of Defense  
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Colleague:

I have received your letter concerning our support of your F-16 fighter aircraft program. I want to assure you of my support for this program and consider it one of our nation's most important security assistance programs.

The Air Force has informed me that all of the requirements for the F-16 Aerospace Ground Equipment (AGE) spares have been determined and that the parts have been ordered. The first shipment of spares was made in September 1982, and the Egyptian Air Force should now be receiving these items. The Air Force is now researching, through your freight forwarder, the exact status and location of all Egyptian AGE spares. Our delegation will be prepared to address these matters in detail with your staff during the Military Coordinating Committee (MCC) meeting later this month.

Sincerely,

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QUOTE

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SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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EGYPT

The Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger  
Secretary of Defense  
Department of Defense  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary:

This is in response to your letter of January <sup>20</sup>~~30~~, 1983 regarding Ras Banas, Egypt. The Subcommittee on Military Construction has tentatively scheduled for February 24, 1983 a hearing on your request to obligate construction funds for the austere contingency facility at Ras Banas. The information previously provided in response to the conference report on the fiscal year 1983 military construction appropriations bill will be fully discussed at that time.

The Department should not proceed with the \$92 million construction program until the Committee has determined the conditions set forth in the conference report (No. 97-913) on the fiscal year 1983 military construction appropriations bill (H.R. 6968) have been met.

Sincerely,

*Bill Hefner*

Bill Hefner, Chairman  
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

This is in response to your letter of January 30, 1983 regarding Ras Banas, Egypt. The Subcommittee on Military Construction has tentatively scheduled for February 24, 1983 a hearing on your request to obligate construction funds for the austere contingency facility at Ras Banas. The information previously provided in response to the conference report on the fiscal year 1983 military construction appropriations bill will be fully discussed at that time.

The Department should not proceed with the \$92 million construction program until the Committee has determined the conditions set forth in the conference report (No. 97-913) on the fiscal year 1983 military construction appropriations bill (H.R. 6968) have been met.

Sincerely,

*Bill Hefner*

Bill Hefner, Chairman  
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