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## THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.



l. Call on Prime Minister Suzuki. My call on the Japanese Premier at Blair House went well. Suzuki is looking forward to his meetings with you and to a frank discussion. He appears very close to us in his world view and clearly seeks an exchange that will aid him in shaping future Japanese policy. The Prime Minister expressed his "great appreciation" for our acting on the submarine incident, referring especially to your letter and to the preliminary report.

I raised the defense question with Suzuki assuring him that this visit would demonstrate U.S. confidence in his ability to deal with the issue. The Prime Minister concluded by repeating his interest in frank discussions and common approaches. (C)

- 2. Action on Libyan People's Bureau. The head of the Libyan People's Bureau, Ali A. Elhouderi, was called to the Department of State today and informed that the United States Government was closing the Libyan People's Bureau immediately. The Libyans have been given one week to wind up operations and depart the United States. Prior to the meeting, U.S. companies doing business in Libya were notified of this action and capitals worldwide were also informed. (U)
- 3. Habib Mission to Middle East. Ambassador Habib left Washington today for Lebanon, Syria and Israel. I saw him this morning before he departed and he very much appreciated the opportunity to talk with you yesterday. Habib will try immediately to gain time for diplomacy and facesaving. His longer term objective will be to arrange for removal of Syrian SAM missiles and the withdrawal of Syrian forces from the Sannin mountain ridge overlooking Lebanon's Christian heartland. Habib begins in Beirut, visits Syria for a meeting with Assad either Saturday or Sunday and then proceeds to Israel on Monday. (S)

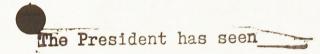
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SECRET ATTACHMENT May 7, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Herewith Secretary Haig's Evening Report of May 6, 1981.

CC: The Vice President Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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