THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON



May 11, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Moroccan Foreign Minister's Visit. Foreign Minister Boucetta delivered a warm, friendly message to us from Morocco and King Hassan this afternoon. We agreed that Libya was the major source of trouble in North and Central Africa. Boucetta did not criticize Algeria; instead, he suggested that there were moderate elements in the Algerian leadership, who should be encouraged. Boucetta believed that Morocco's position on the Western Sahara would gain additional African support at the upcoming Nairobi OAU Summit. He asked that we encourage such support. Boucetta expressed gratitude for our efforts to secure additional economic and food assistance. (Responding to a press query afterwards, he indicated Morocco may seek additional military aid in the future.) Finally, Boucetta shared our assessment of the dangers in Lebanon. He pledged Morocco's help for our efforts to stabilize the situation.

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## **MEMORANDUM**

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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May 12, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT:

Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Secretary Haig's Evening Report of May 11, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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