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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

June 5, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From : Alexander M. Haig, Jr. *AMH*

1. PLO Observer Status at International Monetary Fund/World Bank Meetings. Next week, the World Bank and International Monetary Fund Executive Board will be considering the issue of PLO observer status at annual meetings. We are opposed to any such arrangement. A firm low-key approach in the Boards should enable us to limit damage to the institutions and most of our allies seem inclined to support indefinite postponement. British Foreign Minister Carrington, however, prefers a compromise with the Arabs; we have indicated that anything except deferral would compromise our basic principles. We have been told today that the West Germans will support our position. Don Regan and I will express our concern to the French this weekend, and we are continuing consultations with other allies. (C)

2. New Strike Threat in Poland. It appears now that new strike threats could occur after the end of the two-month strike moratorium on June 10. Already Solidarity has approved a two-hour warning strike in the Bydgoszcz region to protest the slowness with which punishment is being meted out to those responsible for the March 19 Bydgoszcz incident. The strike vote, taken while Walesa was in Geneva, has raised the ire of the Bishops Conference, which had expected that the thirty-day period of mourning for Cardinal Wyszynski would be one of calm. Talks between Government and Solidarity leaders on Monday are aimed at defusing the situation. Walesa, after recent trips to Japan and Switzerland may now have to pay closer attention to fence-mending at home. (C)

3. Appointments to the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal. After three weeks of talks in The Hague, the U.S. appointees to the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal have reached agreement with their Iranian counterparts on the appointment of three third-country arbitrators which are to be announced on Tuesday. The President of the Tribunal will be Gunnar Lagergren of Sweden, a distinguished former judge, who has chaired a number of important international tribunals. Also appointed are Nils Mangard, a Swedish judge and experienced arbitrator, and Pierre Bellet of France, who recently retired as First President of the Cour de Cassation, where he was effectively the Chief Justice of France. All three men have accepted the appointments, and we expect the Tribunal to hold its first session in a matter of weeks. We are satisfied by the selections and believe that the composition of the Tribunal will assure U.S. claimants a fair opportunity to obtain satisfaction for their claims. (C)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Secretary Haig's Evening Report for
June 5, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
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