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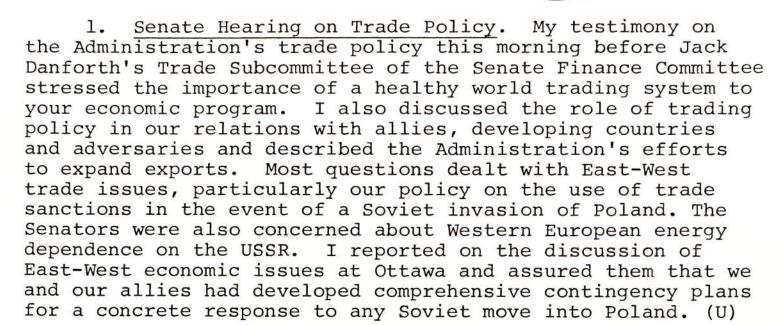
MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

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From

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.



2. Ambassador Habib's Briefing on the Hill. Phil Habib was extremely well received by well-attended executive sessions of both the House Foreign Affairs and Senate Foreign Relations Committees. Phil gave an extensive and "flavorful" briefing on his efforts first to defuse the Syrian missile crisis and then to achieve a de facto ceasefire, adding our thoughts on next steps.

At both hearings, Phil fielded several questions on how AWACS and F-16s had figured in his negotiations. Phil explained that he had succeeded in turning aside all discussions of these topics, noting that he was charged only with obtaining a ceasefire. There was also considerable interest in the role of the Saudis. (S)

3. Senate Foreign Relations Committee Hearings on Conventional Arms Transfers. Under Secretary Buckley, accompanied by representatives from the Department of Defense and the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, appeared before the Committee to discuss the Administration's conventional arms transfer policy. The Senators were generally supportive. They wanted assurances, however, that we would consult on the Hill before making commitments on specific arms sales to the Chinese. (U)

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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 of July 28, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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