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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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August 24, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

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

1. The Lebanese Situation. On Friday, August 21, Deputy Assistant Secretary Draper consulted further with senior UN Secretariat officials in New York on concrete steps to reinforce the ceasefire and to change the conditions in Lebanon that have led to armed confrontations in the past. There was a good meeting of the minds. The UN officials have incorporated our own suggestions in their plan of action, and they expect to secure Waldheim's approval of the plan this week. Accordingly, UN representatives will be pressing later this week for the PLO's agreement to halt reinforcements in southern Lebanon and for a withdrawal of heavy weapons from the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) area. Simultaneously, we shall ask the Israelis to remove equipment subject to our laws from Lebanese territory. I will telephone Waldheim if any hitches develop, but I do not expect them to occur. Senior UN officials stationed in Lebanon and Israel, in particular UNIFIL Commander General Callaghan, are ready to do their best for our common efforts. We are consulting further this week with the UK, France and UNIFIL contributor states to gain their support. Ambassador Murphy will be talking with the Saudis shortly about strengthening the quadripartite "process" to stimulate a Lebanese national consensus and to encourage the beginnings of a Syrian withdrawal. Phil Habib will come to Washington for Begin's visit and will join us for talks on the Lebanese-Israeli situation. (S)

2. Produce Exports to Japan. Technical teams from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Japan met intensively in Japan on Saturday and today to discuss the Medfly problem. The talks have made limited progress so far on the two major issues, an agreed list of Medfly hosts and Japanese treatment of such host fruit from outside the regulated area of California. Further meetings are planned, including one tomorrow. Our Embassy in Tokyo has delivered my message to Foreign Minister Sonoda stressing the importance we attach to the August 19 understanding and how important it is to avoid serious trade disruption while the technical talks continue. Today we instructed Mike Mansfield to make a strong pitch to the Japanese on omitting lemons--the most important import at the moment--from the designated list. (C)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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August 25, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Richard V. Allen

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Secretary Haig's Evening Report for August 24, 1981.

CC: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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