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## THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From

Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 20

1. Chinese Postpone Military Purchasing Mission. The Chinese informed us today that they will need "some more time" to study our detailed reply to their list of requests for military items. General Liu Huaqing will therefore not be able to come September 16-30 as we had proposed. The Chinese acknowledged that it is now up to them to propose new dates for the visit. (S)

- 2. Soviet Media Allegations Protested. Soviet Desk Director Simons called in Soviet Embassy Counselor Sokolov this afternoon to protest Soviet media allegations that the U.S. financed the assassination of Iranian President Rajai and Prime Minister Bonahar. Sokolov claimed that the Soviet media based their stories on reports from others; no malice was intended. Simons reminded Sokolov that the Soviet press did not have to print every report it received. (C)
- 3. Extension of Base Rights Agreement With Spain. Our Ambassador in Madrid will sign an agreement Friday to extend our base rights treaty with Spain for eight months. (The current Treaty expires September 21). We are still far apart on the terms of a new Treaty and the extension gives us more time to conclude one. (U)
- 4. UN Session in Namibia Convenes. The Emergency Special Session of the General Assembly on Namibia opened September 3 only to be quickly adjourned so that the Credentials Committee could consider the South African request to take its seat in the Assembly. Though still a member of the UN, South Africa has seen its credentials denied since 1974 on the basis of a questionable legal ruling. The US will support South Africa's right to participate by arguing that all member States should enjoy full and equal rights under the UN Charter. (LOU)

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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 September 3, 1981.

The Vice President CC: Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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