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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
From : Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.  
Acting Secretary of State

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1. Polish Seamen Seeking Refuge. Six of the 11 Polish seamen who arrived in Kodiak, Alaska, on December 24 have filed asylum applications at the Anchorage office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. In line with Administration policy regarding foreigners in such status, the Polish seamen are under INS-directed supervision pending resolution of their cases. We expect favorable determinations in the next few days; in the meantime, the seamen are being quartered at a Catholic retreat offered to the INS District Director in Alaska by the Catholic Archdiocese there.

2. Jamming of Voice of America Broadcasts. Radio jamming of western broadcasts into Poland appears to be aimed only at US transmissions. Since Monday, December 28, Voice of America shortwave broadcasts have been intensively jammed in the prime period of evening programming. Our VOA countermeasures to this include repetition of headlines and lead news stories, and more frequent news programming. The fact that no jamming has been directed at the British or West German services suggests that VOA has been targeted as an American source of truth which particularly galls the Communist authorities.

3. Presenting US Views on Poland to the West Europeans. I taped an interview today with British, French and German correspondents, outlining our positions and principles in reaction to events in Poland. I particularly emphasized the imperative of exercising American leadership in responding to the trampling of human rights in Poland, building on the recent statements by you and Secretary Haig.

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December 31, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JAMES W. NANCE

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Stoessel's Evening Report

Attached is Walter Stoessel's Evening Report for December 30, 1981.

cc: The Vice President  
Ed Meese  
James Baker  
Michael Deaver

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