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DEPARTMENT OF STATE : 02 WASHINGTON

January 28, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

From

: Walter J. Stoessel, Jr. Acting Secretary of State

1. UN Security Council Votes to Convene Special Session of General Assembly on Golan Issue. The UN Security Council today called for an Emergency Special Session of the General Assembly to consider Israel's de facto annexation of the Golan Heights. The Council acted by a vote of 13-0 (the US and Britain abstaining) under the "uniting for peace" procedure, which enables the Council to call for an Emergency Special Session after a permanent member vetoes a resolution in the Council, as the US did last week. Such action by the Council is considered to be procedural and is not subject to veto. We abstained in the vote today because we did not wish to aggravate the already tense atmosphere on the Golan issue. (Israel and some of our allies had recommended that we abstain.) The Emergency Session will begin tomorrow. We expect that Syria will introduce a harsh draft resolution proposing severe sanctions against Israel. Any action taken by the session, however, will be recommendatory and not binding on member states.

Courtesy Call on President Bourguiba of Tunisia. Together with General Dick Walters, I made a call today on President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia and his Foreign Minister, Caid Essebsi. The President has been in Washington and Philadelphia to obtain medical treatment. He is still so incapacitated by his ailments that we could not have a substantive discussion. Bourguiba said he would soon return to Tunisia because of the pain he was suffering in his mouth and I assume that he will not be able to stay for the meeting you have tentatively planned with him on February 10 (we will confirm this). Foreign Minister Essebsi afterward discussed Tunisia's continuing wariness of Qadhafi. He made an anguished plea for concessional terms for Foreign Military Sales this year, placed in the context of Tunisia's need for defense against Libya.

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FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Attached is Al Haig's Evening Report for Thursday, January 28, 1982.

The Vice President cc: Ed Meese Jim Baker Mike Deaver

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