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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

From

Walter J. Stoessel, Jr. Acting Secretary of State

1. SIG on Poland. I chaired a Senior Interdepartmental Group (SIG) on Poland today to review further steps which we could take in response to the Polish situation. In particular, we discussed in detail the objectives of a high-level mission to European capitals; this mission would be headed by Under Secretary Jim Buckley. The mission would convey the strong US determination to prevent European dependence on the Soviet natural gas pipeline and would seek to reduce or eliminate altogether the provision of official credits and loan guarantees to the Soviets. I directed that the final stage papers on the key issues be ready as soon as possible in order for Secretary Haig to be able to review preparations after he returns on Saturday. Our best efforts are going into looking at our objectives, costs and benefits before the Buckley mission seeks your approval of its final strategy. We will suggest an NSC meeting on this early next week.

2. Western Sahara. The Organization of African Unity (OAU) concluded its summit meeting on the Western Sahara on February 9, adopting a draft proposal for a ceasefire and referendum. Neither the Polisario Front nor Morocco has accepted the proposals and the burden now falls on the OAU chairman to negotiate their agreement and set a date for a ceasefire. Secretary Haig will meet with Moroccan King Hassan tomorrow, and Assistant Secretary Veliotes will meet with the Algerians on Saturday. These talks will be important in our assessment of the situation.

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February 11, 1982

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT:

Acting Secretary Stoessel's Evening Report

Attached is Walter Stoessel's Evening Report for Wednesday, February 10, 1982.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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