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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

SITUATION ROOM

FROM : Lawrence S. Eagleburger, Acting Secretary

Tunisian Demarche on Lebanon. The Tunisian Ambassador came in to see me today on an urgent basis to deliver a message from President Bourguiba to you. The essence of the message is that unless we prevail on Israel to withdraw from Lebanon, the Tunisians and other moderate Arabs will find themselves in a position which is at best embarrassing and perhaps untenable. The Ambassador pointed out that during Prime Minister Mzali's visit, the Tunisians felt that the momentum in the Middle East was moving in the direction of the Egyptian solution. He said that Arab public opinion, even in enlightened Tunisia, does not understand the latest Israeli action or what he claimed was the American support for it, especially our veto at the UN. I explained that the veto was necessary because the Resolution was unbalanced, condemning only Israel and not the shelling from across the border. I explained further that our objective now was not only to seek the withdrawal of the Israelis from Lebanon but also to create a strong and united Lebanon.

Afghan Talks in Geneva. The UN-sponsored indirect talks on Afghanistan came close to collapsing June 15 just as they were getting underway. The UN had earlier obtained Iranian Government agreement that it would be "kept informed" through its Permanent Representative in Geneva, thus preserving some measure of the trilateralism which Pakistan had insisted on as a condition for its willingness to exchange views with the Kabul authorities through a UN intermediary. This arrangement almost fell apart when the UN Geneva office put out a press release claiming full Iranian participation. This statement prompted an angry Iranian rejoinder that Iran would not take part in any conference in which the "true representatives" of the Afghan people were not represented. Apparently the UN has quietly convinced the Iranian Mission that the slip was inadvertent, and they have agreed to proceed according to the previous script. Thus the UN SYG's Personal Representative, Diego Cordovez, went ahead yesterday with separate meetings with the Afghan and Pakistan Foreign Ministers, contacts which are expected to continue at least several days.

Poland. A group of thirteen prominent Polish-American leaders came in today to seek Administration reassurance that Poland remains high on our international agenda. They were briefed on the current situation in Poland, on the effectiveness of our sanctions, and on the status of plans to strengthen VOA and RFE broadcasting. The leaders said it would be extremely helpful to them if they could pay a brief call on you tomorrow.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK

SUBJECT: Acting Secretary Eagleburger's Evening Report

Attached is Lawrence Eagleburger's Evening Report for June 17, 1982.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker
Mike Deaver

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