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An article on the front page of Unity, a newspaper published in Szczecin by the Solidarity organization, contains some interesting insights into the aims of the group regarding the Polish economy. The following is the gist of the article, entitled "Closest Tasks," which was published on December 12, 1980:

The article, written by Ferdymand Wolinski, begins by stating that the Government is trying to keep the workers from cooperating in the governing of the country, mainly because they do not want to lose their jobs. But, he says, governing of the country by the workers cannot be avoided. Democratization of the nation should be based on justice, respect for individual human rights and an economy tailored to thinking Poles.

Solidarity's aim is to "clean up" every plant, office and enterprise by getting rid of the wrong sorts of administrators. He goes into the history of the padding of the bureaucracy after World War II, which resulted in unnecessarily complex and overly-administered political and commercial institutions. He says that strikes are occurring because the country was being led into destitution by people who regarded themselves as the only ones with the right to govern.

He then makes a number of specific proposals -

 An enterprise employing 500 people or less should have only one director.

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- Enterprises which employ between 500-1500 people should have no more than two directors.
- Since the administration of enterprises is top-heavy, women in administrative positions who have husbands earning more than 10,000 zl. a month should be dismissed.
  - The personnel in administrative positions should reflect the overall membership in the PZPR. Specifically, only one such position should be filled by a Party member for every four filled by non-Party members. The Minister of Finance should not be a Party member.
- 5. Meetings of the Council of Ministers and of the Sejm should be broadcast via radio and TV.
- 6. Plenary sessions of the Central Committee should be attended by non-Party union members and broadcast over radio and television, so that the public will know what issues the Party is discussing.

He concludes by saying that there cannot be separate Polands for Party members and non-members.

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### MEMORANDUM TO THE FILES

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No clear images emerge from comparing personal day-to-day experiences with current national events. It is impossible to keep them separated and they do not add up. Some examples:

-- Sitting in the office of Poznan's Orbis Director yesterday morning, I noticed that he had a small poster on the otherwise bare wall behind his desk. It was a color photograph of a welder with his helmet pushed back, standing against a huge American flag which filled the entire background of the picture. Under it were the English words, "FREE LABOR WILL WIN."

-- Prominently displayed on a downtown Poznan government store is a Solidarity poster with the further words, "TODAY SOLIDARITY - TOMORROW SUCCESS." I have seen these posters before, but only now did I begin to think how disquieting they must be in some quarters. (Just what kind of further "success" might they be talking about?)

-- Six months ago, when I arrived, we were able to eat almost entirely off the economy. Our meals consisted in great part of local bread, milk, cheese, butter, meat, rice, potatoes and other vegetables. We now buy our bread from LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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a Polish employee of the Consulate whose mother gets up at five in the morning to buy for the family. Most of the other things are not available at all. We have been eating the local sauerkraut from the open market because even good cabbage has disappeared. Yet Poznan citizens do not seem enraged by this current turn of events and they suffer far more than we. They wait patiently in lines, leave work to look for food and assign various family members to scout for new deliveries and new sources. With the list of unavailable items now including yodka and, on some days, bread, they remain patient and resigned.

-- Mayors, governors, trade fair officials, professors all talk of the current situation and proposed future changes as if nothing special were happening at the moment. The weather was bad and the crops were poor, they will say, and the government invested too much money in the wrong industries, but things will improve.

-- A doctor and his wife, who is a professor, asked that I not come to their home in my own car, because they did not want it known to the police that I was visiting them.

What is going on when the director of a government office can have an American labor poster on his wall and two Party members are afraid to have me seen near their house? Why aren't people angry when they have been plunged close to the edge of famine? Why don't responsible officials stop the banalities and admit to the seriousness of the situation?

No such confusion arises in talking with members of Solidarity here: Their message is loud and clear. While some of their remarks initially struck me as naive, they were at no time guilty of fuzzy thinking. Members of the Poznan Solidarity group impressed me as special people. Without any tinge of fanaticism, they make it clear that they have a sense of being completely in the right and that their side will win,

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regardless of tactics used against them. This would not be surprising in a group of university students, but among men in their 30's and 40's who are leaders of a large and powerful organization, it seems unique here. They make it clear that there will be no compromises, that they will persist until all of their demands are met, and that they intend to have a great say in how Poland is run, including the organization of virtually every aspect of the economy.

Going back a step, it seems that part of the problem in understanding the current scene arises from watching from the outside with an assumption that Solidarity cannot really win. Either it will be subverted, we may think, or it will lose popularity as harsh economic realities continue to weigh on the populace or Poland will be invaded. We may sometimes wonder why they are not more cautious, why they want to risk losing everything.

Looking at it from Solidarity's point of view, however, gives a certain logic to events. The Orbis manager is not afraid to have the poster on his wall because he is not afraid, period. The Party member couple is afraid, because all their frames of reference are disappearing. Party members are turning in their cards and membership is no longer necessarily a ticket to the top. (The doctor was about to be elected head of a now-moribund union when the Gdansk strikes took place.)

The absence of fear within Solidarity here gives credence to their assumption that they cannot lose. Their attitude also seems to mean that confrontations will reoccur until they get everything they want or their organization is destroyed. Unless the Polish Government is prepared to give in on every demand, it also leads to the conclusion that the confrontations will become more severe and change in nature. However, whether methods of opposition by the government progress slowly from foot-dragging to sterner methods (declaration of a state of emergency and cancellation of prior concessions, reshuffling of the government and/or Party leadership - Moczar or someone else for Kania and on down the line, severe strikebreaking tactics, imprisonment of leaders, a plea for allied "help" and intervention) or whether some of the intermediate measures are skipped and

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drastic efforts are undertaken or imposed from outside more quickly, Solidarity is convinced it will win. Its leaders here do not seem to think the Soviet Union can afford to come in, but they are convinced that the Soviets would be virtually powerless even if they did. They believe that neither their own government nor any other has a weapon strong enough against the Solidarity movement, presumably not even the weapon of starvation, given the already-existing black market network.

The local leaders do not want confrontation. They prefer that the Soviets realize the futility of intervention and that their own government realize it has no choice but to acquiesce to every demand, regardless of any "bargains" it made with the Soviets in this regard. If they can remain united and weather the expected attempts at subversion of the organization and insinuations of treasonous activity, their optimism may not be as naive as it first appears.

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#### January 12, 1981

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1. "Free Saturday" Action on January 10 - As mentioned in my telephone conversation with the Embassy on January 10. most or all large industries here were not operating on Saturday. These included Cegielski, Stomil, Wiepofama and the agricultural machine factories.

In talking with a local resident, I learned that the administration of a local cosmetics firm made an agreement with its employees to close down on January 10 (not a free Saturday) in return for coming to work on January 31 (which is a free Saturday). According to an article in today's <u>Glos Wielkopolski</u> (of which a translation by Nick Sherwood is attached), this same agreement was also made in the large companies. In other words, they allegedly swapped January 10 for either January 17 or January 31.

A local travel agency compromised by opening for only two hours on Saturday.

2. Press Coverage - On its front page, Gazeta Zachodnia featured the PAP article which stated that the majority of

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workers went to work on Saturday. A regular front-page feature, In My Opinion, covered the subject of free Saturdays. An informal translation of the bulk of this article is also attached. In general, the tone of the article (a collection of interviews) is conservative, as is the editorial tone of the newspaper.

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### POZNAN - Nick Sherwood

Informal Translation of an Article from Glos Wielkopolsi,

Poznan, January 12, 1981

### From Our Own Information

In spite of the fact that Saturday was a workday, the majority of industrial work places in Poznan were not in operation. The free Saturday was transferred to this Saturday from January 17, or 31 (when they intend to work) by the firms Cegielski, Pomet, Wiepofama, Lechia, and the Poznan Roller Bearing Factory. In several factories in which there had been shutdowns of normal work earlier caused by lack of materials or fuel, work was normal; standing by their machines were, among others, the firm "Goplana".

All Spolem stores in Poznan were operating except the sixteen "monopoly" sotres and wine stores because of the prohibition of the sale of alcohol in these places. Ninety per cent of the WPHW (goods and groceries) shops were in service. Downtown were closed, among others, the Centrum Department store, the department store at 27 Grudnia, and "Bobas" on the Plac Wolnosci. Shops were operating however, and the Internal Transport Firm was working. It was also a work day for the cooperatives in WZSP.

City transportation operated as on a free Saturday. Three and a half per cent of the work force of the Regional State Railroad Management did not come to work, mostly in the Poznan train yards and the Gniezno and Konin stations. POZNAN - Harry Jones

Informal Translation of an Article from Gazeta Zachodnia, Poznan January 12, 1981

In My Opinion

THE SATURDAY DILEMMA

Recently, the discussion about "free Saturdays" has become very ardent. The fact that some workers' crews did not work on last Saturday caused new tensions in this matter. Here are some opinions expressed by individuals interviewed by <u>Gazeta</u> reporters:

Krzyszt Zwolinski, Worker, "KONIN" Aluminum Foundry -

"In my opinion there has been too little information regarding the form of decisions to be taken by the Government and by Solidarity. The authorities should come to an agreement and the ordinary worker should be informed about their talks and decisions. Meanwhile, neither the Government nor Solidarity speak clearly. I think that the "top" of Solidarity has a more liberal attitude toward the problem of free Saturdays than do those at lower levels. Anyway, it was necessary to come to a conclusion and to declare a clear point of view. As far as I am concerned, I do not insist on making all Saturdays free. We should give the Government and Solidarity a little more time to formulate another proposal on this matter and to discuss it properly."

Jan Wozniak, Railway Stationmaster in Leszno -

"Free Saturdays are not a concern of us railway workers, at least here in Leszno. The majority of our people work 12 hours a day, with a 12-hour break. We cannot afford to create Page 2 - Translation from Gazeta Zachodnia

stoppages in transportation. Thus, all our workers came to work last Saturday, including those who work only 8-hour shifts. We understand the real situation of the country. After all, it is not the trade union that employs us: Our employer is the Polish Railways Company. But the whole ferment about the free Saturdays was completely unnecessary. In my opinion, there was enough time to make a firm decision. Meanwhile, the press, radio and television devoted a lot of space and time to the way in which we should spend the free Saturdays - organizing shopping hours, etc., whereas very little was given to the completion of production plans in light of the shortened workweek. The Railway Company is an enterprise which copes with a lack of workers. A cut in work time would cause more personnel problems. And that is a problem that should be solved immediately - I mean the train conductors and the shunters here in Leszno."

Dr. Wojciech Pelowski, Vice Chairman, Poznan Grunwald Health and Welfare Unified Organization -

"Like the entire health service in Poznan and Poznan Province, we worked on Saturday. How could we leave our patients so suddenly without our services? Many of them had appointments for their control examinations. We now have a period of intensified colds. As a matter of fact, we received from Solidarity a cable in which they told us that Saturday would be a day off and only "emergency" services should be conducted. But, in our opinion - and it was unarimous - this work should not be interrupted. I must say that I was buoyed up by the attitude of our personnel. Everybody came to work and nobody complained."

Kazimierz Wojtkowiak, Employee of the Provincial Sanitary Transportation Column in Poznan -

"We workers of the health service have to work, no matter if it is a free Saturday or not."

Grzegorz Srama, Retired, member of the Basic Party Organization Poznan/Grunwald - (Tenenovej POP) -

"I am not a member of Solidarity, but I have many friends who belong to that organization. Many of them were confused and

### Page 3 - Translation from Gazeta Zachodnia

uncertain what to do. It was not only a matter of work during a specific number of hours, but a matter of attitude. I had the feeling that it"(the discussions regarding free Saturdays)"was a sort of haggling. One of my friends, a railway worker, told me that there are some people" (authorities) "who want to make the workers go stand in the corner"(for their disobedience) "but this time they will not succeed. Times have changed. Being aware of such tendencies" (of the authorities) "many people say 'no'"(to obeying the Government) "ont of spite, just to document their desire to have 'democracy'."

"The decisions of the Government are published too late. For this reason, their interpretation by the community is varied. We are entitled to shorten our worktime. We have enough common sense to understand the economic situation of our country and to have its good in mind. But I am inclined to share the opinion of those who say that we are not prepared yet, mainly in the fields of organization of services, work and cultural activities, to introduce the free Saturday system right now...."

The leaders of the PZPR at Poznan's Adam Mickiewicz University stated:

"We are very concerned regarding the development of this situation, now aiming at confrontation and not at mutual national agreement. It is time that work stopped being a subject of manipulation.

"We appeal that useful talks be undertaken between the Government and Solidarity and that a common, clear solution be negotiated, so that workers will not be put in the<sup>®</sup> position of dramatically having to choose by themselves the right partner, standing on this or that side of a non-existent barricade."

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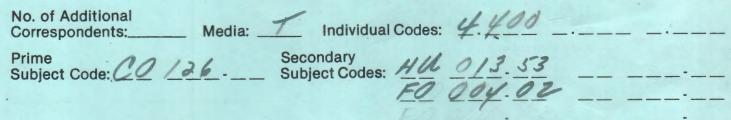
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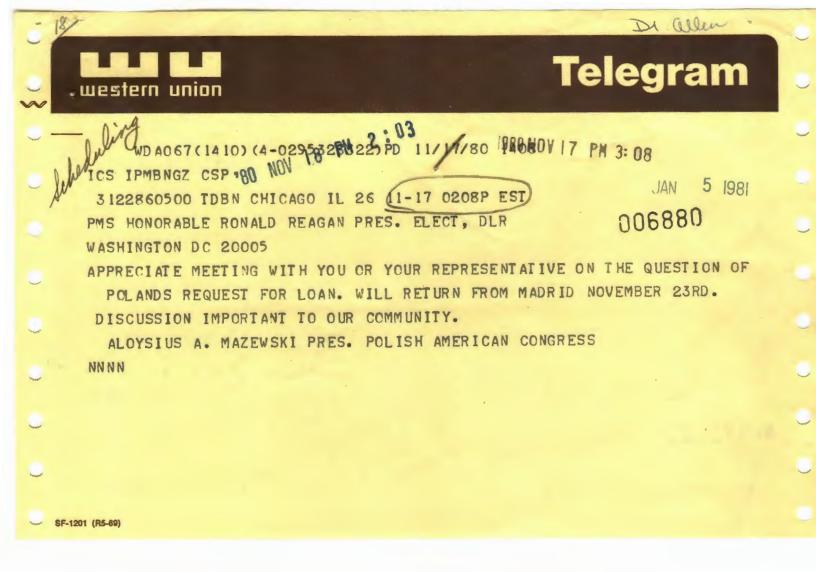
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### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

INFORMATION

February 17, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN ALLEN J. LENZ

SUBJECT:

Polish Planners Outline Methods of Solving Poland's Financial Crisis

Direct from Warsaw is this Polish description of how Poland can solve its financial crisis. There are two methods: the normal, ordinary way and the miraculous way.

Under the "normal" method, twenty leagues of angels will descend from heaven and work 25 hours a day, 8 days a week for five years until the crisis is finally solved.

This normal, ordinary method contrasts with the second or "miraculous" method, under which the Poles would solve the problem themselves.

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### THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

April 28, 1981

Mr. Al Mazewski President Polish National Alliance 6110 North Cicero Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60646

Dear Al:

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In the President's behalf, I thank you for your continued expressions of support.

Sincerely,

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SIGNED: FOLISH AMERICAN CONGRESS A MAZEWSKI, PRESIDENT H ZIELINSKI, VICE PRESIDENT K UUKOMSKI, VICE PRESIDENT H BIELINSKI, SECRETARY J CROBOT, TREASURER

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#### S/S # 8112525

Date April 30, 1981

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT TRANSMITTAL FORM

FOR: Mr. Richard V. Allen National Security Council The White House

**REFERENCE**:

TO:Telegram Pres. Reagan FROM:Senator BartosiewicsDATE:April 7, 1981SUBJECT:Protection of USCitizens in PolandWHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED:4/17NSC # 17816

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THE ATTACHED ITEM WAS SENT DIRECTLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

#### ACTION TAKEN:

- A draft reply is attached.
- A draft reply will be forwarded.
- A translation is attached.
- XXX An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.

Other.

REMARKS:

Paul Bremer, III.

Executive Secretary

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE



Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Senator Bartosiewicz:

Thank you for your April 7 letter to the President concerning U.S. policy towards Poland, which was forwarded to us by the White House.

The American Embassy in Warsaw is very aware of the nearly 7,000 Americans residing in Poland and, like other Embassies throughout the world, has plans for helping these citizens should an emergency arise. However, the situation today in Poland is calm, and we do not believe it would be helpful to engage in public discussion of planning for unlikely contingencies. Such discussion might do more to contribute to public unease than it would to help those Americans living in Poland.

The U.S. Government has held extensive consultations with our NATO allies over a joint response to possible Soviet intervention in Poland. While we do not believe an intervention to be either imminent or inevitable, we have reached broad areas of agreement with our allies concerning economic and other sanctions which we would consider were such an event to occur.

We continue to receive inquiries from the public concerning travel conditions in Poland. Attached is a copy of the recommendations we make concerning their travel.

We hope this answer has been of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

David H. Shinn Acting Coordinator for Liaison with State and Local Governments

Attachment: As stated.

The Honorable Thomas Bartosiewicz, New York State Senate.

#### TRAVEL TO POLAND

The Department of State continues to receive inquiries from U.S. citizens concerning travel to Poland. In order to be responsive to those inquiries, the Department has consulted with the American Embassy at Warsaw regarding the safety and welfare of U.S. citizens in Poland.

U.S. citizens, in substantial numbers, have continued to come and go in Poland without difficulty or interference. They continue to do so at this time. There is no public violence or disturbance of any kind at present in Poland. Therefore, the Department of State sees no need to issue a formal travel advisory for Poland.

U.S. citizens who decide to travel to Poland may wish to register with the American Embassy in Warsaw (Telephone 283041-9) or our Consulates in Poznan (Telephone 59586) or Krakow (Telephone 29764)

April 29, 1981

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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APRIL 17, 1981

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TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE THOMAS BARTOSIEWICZ STATE SENATOR NEW YORK STATE SENATE ALBANY NY 12248

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN WARSAW TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT AMERICAN CITIZENS IN POLAND; COMMENTS REGARDING SAME

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN BASIC CORRESPONDENCE, CONTROL SHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE (OR DRAFT) TO: AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 33, THE WHITE HOUSE

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WHITE HOUSE DC

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IN POLAND WE RUN THE DAMAGE OF CREATING AN IRAN LIKE SITUATION WHEREBY AMERICANS WILL, IN EFFECT, BE HELD HOSTAGE DUE TO SOVIET TAKE OVER. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS IMPERATIVE FOR OUR NATIONS POLISH AMERICAN COMMUNITY, 15 MILLION STRONG ACROSS THE U.S., TO KNOW THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IS DOING EVERYTHING IN ITS POWER TO ASSURE THEIR SAFETY. SPECIFICALLY, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT ACTIONS THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN WARSAW ARE TAKING TO SAFEGUARD AND ASSIST AMERICANS PRESENTLY RESIDING IN POLAND. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHAT OUR STATE DEPARTMENT IS DOING IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR NATO ALLIES IN ISSUING A JOINT WARNING FOR THE SOVIETS THAT ANY ACTION AGAINST THE POLISH AND AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL BE RESPONDED TO FOR THE ECONOMIC RETALIATION BY OUR GOVERNMENT. IN ANY EVENT, IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO HAVE AN EVACUATION PLAN IN PLACE IF OUR WORST FEARS AND APPREHENSION ARE REALIZED. IN LIGHT OF

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THE URGENT NATURE OF THIS SITUATION, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE.

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THOMAS BARTOSIEWICZ NEW YORK STATE SENATOR NNNN MEMORANDUM



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

CONFIDENTIAL

June 17, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD V. ALLEN AM

SUBJECT:

Visit by Lech Walesa of Poland

Al Haig forwarded you a memorandum (Tab A) recommending that you see Polish Solidarity leader Lech Walesa if and when he comes to Washington during his projected July 3-12 visit to the United States. If Walesa decides to come, he is expected to be in Washington on Friday, July 10, at which time he is scheduled to meet with Al Haig. Thus far, Walesa has not specifically requested a meeting with you, but one of Walesa's advisors indicated that Walesa is inclined to make such a request.

Al Haig aptly points out that a meeting with you should be handled cautiously so as not to compromise Walesa's position in Poland or enable the Soviets to exploit the visit and utilize it against Poland. A meeting with Al Haig and especially a meeting with you is bound to be regarded as political, if not highly political. However, if Walesa comes here and wants to see you, a refusal to meet with him would be sorely misinterpreted by the U.S. and the world, would have grave repercussions in the internal Polish situation and could possibly embolden the Soviets. (C)

I suggest that you not make a decision on seeing Walesa at this time. The situation in Poland is quite volatile and could very well dictate either your acceptance or refusal of such a meeting in July. Thus, I recommend that a memorandum be sent from me to Al Haig (Tab B) requesting his reevaluation of the Polish situation in early July and a subsequent recommendation as to whether or not you should meet with Walesa at that time. (S)

#### RECOMMENDATION

That I forward the memorandum at Tab B to Al Haig, requesting a reevaluation and recommendation on a meeting with Walesa closer to the date of his proposed visit.  $(\mathbb{C})$ 

cc: The Vice President Ed Meese James Baker Michael Deaver CONFIDENTIAL Review June 15, 1987.

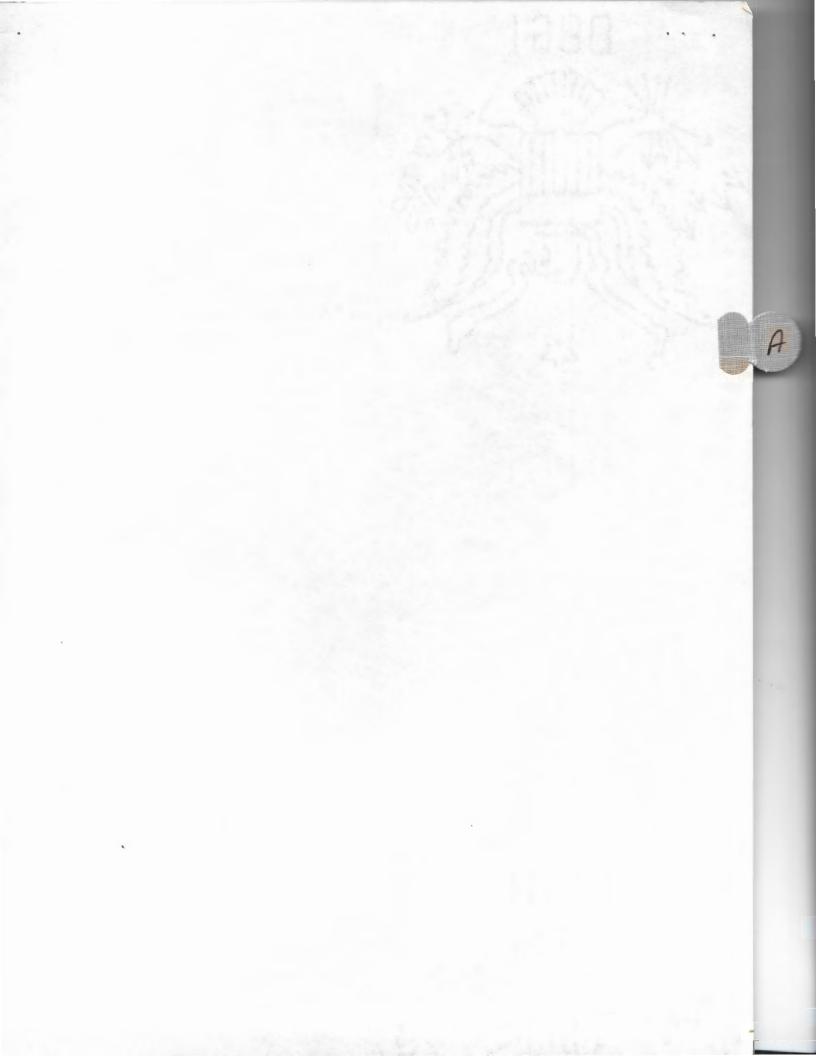
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## THE SECRETARY OF STATE

June 10, 1981

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WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Alexander M. Haig, J

SUBJECT:

Visit of Lech Walesa

Despite an increase of tensions with Poland, Polish Solidarity leader Lech Walesa still has under consideration a private visit to the United States July 3-12. He will not make up his mind on whether to come until after June 26, when the process of electing delegates to the Party Congress would have been completed. If he does come, he would probably stop in Washington July 10, during which time he would meet with me to discuss international affairs. He has not specifically requested a meeting with you but we understand from an advisor of his that he would consider a meeting with you a great honor.

If he does come to the United States, Walesa will seek to downplay the political aspects of the visit, since a highly political visit could play into the hands of the Soviets. He has already made clear to us that he intends to focus his visit on the church and private food donations and on contacts with the Polish-American community.

On his trips to Italy in January and Japan in May, Walesa saw no nationally prominent politicians. In preparation for his trips, Walesa conferred closely with the Foreign Ministry and will presumably defer again to its advice. The Foreign Ministry has already indicated to us that it may have some thoughts in this regard, despite claims by an advisor to Walesa that a U.S. visit has been cleared "without reservation" by Prime Minister Jaruzelski and the Politburo.

All of the above considerations point to the need for careful handling for any meeting between you and Walesa in order not to compromise Walesa in Poland or to give the Soviets any grounds for using the visit against Poland. On balance, however, a refusal on your part to see Walesa, if he comes to Washington, would not be easily understood by the public. I recommend that if he asks to see you, you agree to a fifteen-minute call.

RDS 2/3 6/11/01 (HAIG, Alexander M. Jr.)

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON



June 17, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR. The Secretary of State

SUBJECT: Visit of Lech Walesa

Your memorandum of June 10, 1981, recommends that the President meet Solidarity leader Lech Walesa during his projected July 3-12 visit to Washington. The President would prefer not to commit himself to such a meeting now.

Rather, he would like you to reevaluate the Polish situation in early July and make a further recommendation as to whether or not it would be advisable for him to meet with Walesa at that time.

You may recall that the President met Walesa's father in September 1980, during the Campaign.

Richard V. Allen Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

CONFIDENTIAL Review on June 17, 1987

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I have the following invitations:

- Buffet reception at the Polish Embassy in April 2 honor of visiting First Deputy Prime Minister Jagielski.
- April 4 Kennedy Center performance of the Leipzig Symphony Orchestra, the host is Reinhard Gens, the German Democratic Republic Commercial Counselor here in Washington.
- April 5 Reception for members of the Leipzig Orchestra, hosted by Dr. Seiman, the Acting German Democratic Republic Ambassador.

Each of the above continues contacts established earlier at Commerce.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That	you	approve	participation	in	the	above	events.
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Kennedy Center	Yes V	No
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