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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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April 20, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 

1. Pakistani Foreign Minister. Talks today with Foreign Minister Agha Shahi went well. We assured Shahi that your Administration is committed to building a durable new relationship with Pakistan, while recognizing Pakistan's role in the Islamic world and among the non-aligned. We offered to go ahead with \$100 million ESF program in FY-82 and left open our five year economic and military program beginning in FY-83.

The Pakistanis probed the details of our offer, questioned the mix of economic aid and military credits and asked for detailed military discussions on purchases. They inquired about the possibility of leasing F-16s while awaiting delivery of new planes. They did not press us on security guarantees.

My judgment is that Pakistan is prepared to move ahead with a new relationship, will bargain hard on the quality and nature of U.S. support, and will wish to keep our link relatively low profile in order to avoid undue provocation to India and damage to its non-aligned credentials. (S)

2. Japanese Ambassador. Ambassador Okawara called on me today to review preparations for Prime Minister Suzuki's May 7-8 visit. The Ambassador expressed his government's appreciation for the high level attention given to resolving problems caused by the collision of the Japanese freighter and a U.S. nuclear submarine. The U.S. efforts, particularly your letter to the Prime Minister, have defused attempts by the political opposition in Japan to play this incident in an anti-American manner. The Ambassador also said that the recent Diet delegation visit to Washington to look at the auto situation was very useful.

On the overall scope for the Prime Minister's visit, we indicated that our focus would be on security, in the global context, our general approach to East/West and North/South relations, our policies on specific areas such as Asia and the Middle East and, importantly, on establishing the rapport between you and the Prime Minister necessary for our increasingly close relationship. The Ambassador agreed with this approach, adding that Prime Minister Suzuki would invite you to visit Japan in 1982. (S)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Secretary Haig's Evening Report

Herewith Secretary Haig's Evening Report of
April 20, 1981.

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
James Baker
Michael Deaver

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