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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

SUBJECT: Assistance for Pakistan

The President has reviewed steps the U.S. might take to assist Pakistan in light of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and has approved the following:

1. Legislation to exempt Pakistan from the provisions of the Symington Amendment to the Foreign Assistance Act. However, this should include a reference to the non-proliferation assurances the Pakistanis have given us.
2. An FY 80 supplemental request for \$100 million in FMS credit.
3. An FY 80 supplemental request for \$100 million in ESF assistance. The President agrees that U.S. aid should not undercut efforts to encourage necessary economic reforms and, in that light, the Pakistanis should be told that U.S. aid is being resumed on the same basis that it was provided before it was cut off. However, the President will retain the option to waive any requirement for reforms if necessary.
4. No specific commitments on the amount of aid for FY 81 will be given at this time. We may indicate to Zia our intent to provide further assistance of the same magnitude in our next fiscal year as Pakistan's needs become clearer. The President will review this decision in the near future following discussions with Pakistani officials.
5. PL 480 will be increased by \$10-20 million with the precise amount determined by Pak absorption capacity and U.S. budget limits.

6. An IMET program of up to \$600,000 will be accommodated within the current budget request.

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7. An increase in U.S. refugee assistance of \$6 million with a possibility of \$25 million if the number of refugees doubles is approved and will be accomplished through reprogramming. Direct U.S.-Pakistani bilateral assistance to the refugees will be pursued at least as an option.

8. The President is not prepared to offer advanced aircraft (F-16) to Pakistan.

In general, the President has directed that the U.S. provide economic assistance to Pakistan which preserves the consortium approach and maintains incentives for economic reforms. On military assistance, the President has directed that weapons which can be used to defend Pakistan be approved as soon as possible. These approvals should not include those systems which would post a significant threat to India.

Zbigniew Brzezinski

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