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## SITUATION REPORTS

### POLAND

Although Soviet forces bordering Poland remain in a heightened state of readiness and could move on short notice, Soviet diplomatic and media signals since late last week have not pointed to imminent military action. We have seen no further indicators to support the contention [REDACTED] that Warsaw Pact maneuvers will be held in Poland today through Thursday. [REDACTED]

The evidence we have indicates that the Kania regime is attempting to ensure that the ceremonies today and tomorrow commemorating those killed in the December 1970 riots on the Baltic Coast proceed without incident. If, indeed, the Polish Communist Party desires to avoid any confrontation with the workers in Gdansk and Gdynia, then introducing Soviet forces would be counterproductive. [REDACTED]

It is quite possible that some in the Soviet leadership may have argued for such a move. They may have had strong fears that the ceremonies would take on an anti-regime and anti-Soviet nature and lead to widespread unrest and that Soviet forces should be in place to move quickly. They may have also believed that bringing in Soviet troops would have a sobering effect on the heady Polish workers and bolster the Kania regime's hand in restoring its authority. [REDACTED]

The risks are high that the introduction of even a small number of Soviet forces into Poland could lead to a violent confrontation, and we believe Moscow will refrain from doing so. The Soviets are, however, taking further military steps around Poland's borders to increase their readiness to intervene quickly if their perception of the situation should change. [REDACTED]

### Situation in Gdansk

The regime, the Church, and Solidarity apparently have cooperated to help ensure that the ceremonies in Gdansk this morning pass without incident. A contact [REDACTED]

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