

## THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : National Intelligence Officer  
for Warning

SUBJECT : NIO Monthly Warning Reports - August 1981

1. The reports of the NIO monthly warning meetings are attached.
2. There are several issues that I wish to note.

- a. Poland

The deteriorating economic situation and Solidarity's demands for greater access to the media and a larger voice in industrial management points toward ever more serious tests of strength and will over the next few months. The government's ability to buy peace with increased food or decreased work schedules is limited by economic realities. The government's ability or willingness to meet other Solidarity demands will be limited by Communist Party perceptions of its power and the government's sovereignty. Accelerating economic problems, public frustrations, and the possibility of misjudgments by all elements remain incalculable elements in the Polish crisis.

- b. Israel-Lebanon-PLO

The fragile truce between Israel and the PLO could be shattered in the next few weeks. [REDACTED]

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c. El Salvador

The success of the leftist guerrillas in imposing increasing casualties on the security forces and in disrupting much of the country's electrical power supply has increasingly demoralized government forces. These pressures may trigger retaliatory actions that would not only damage the government's credibility at home and abroad but impose dangerous strains between military and civilian members of the regime. If the guerrilla campaign of disruption and destruction continues for 3-4 months--reportedly their intention--the military's long-standing distrust of civilian politicians would galvanize the military leaders into ousting the civilians.

d. North Korea

The recent SA-2 attack against the SR-71 is only one, albeit a dramatic one, of several unusual North Korean activities. There has been an increase in North Korean-South Korean fishing boat incidents, a spate of DMZ ground force activity.

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e. Egypt

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