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

FROM: Robert M. Gates
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SUBJECT: DDI Activity Report 26 - 30 August 1985

DCI/DDCI Assigned Tasks

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    NESA prepared an assessment of the impact of the expulsion from Libya of Tunisian workers on political stability in Tunisia for the DCI's meeting with Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Whitehead and other officials at State and the NSC.

    NESA prepared a memo for the DCI on the possibility that Iraq will make further attacks on Khark Island to knock out the oil terminals. The memo discussed Iraq's reasons and the military implications, including the possibility of a wider war in the Gulf.

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    OSWR prepared a briefing paper on a proposed sale of US computer manufacturing technology to India for use in discussions with the Secretary of Defense.

Policy Support

    ACIS attended an ACVC meeting on compliance and met with the ACVC Policy Group.

    ACIS attended an SDI IG concerning arms control and public diplomacy.

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ALA briefed incoming DAS William Walker and Country Director Richard Melton on Central America.

ALA prepared a typescript on Ethiopia's policy toward its famine-threatened people for NSC staffer Phil Ringdahl. Interagency deliberations are underway about whether Ethiopia's treatment of its northern population disqualifies the country from receiving US assistance.

ALA prepared a typescript on Ugandan insurgent leader Museveni for State.

ALA briefed the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank on economic and political developments in Zimbabwe.

ALA will host a roundtable discussion on East Africa for the State Department's Director of East African Affairs.

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At NSC request, EURA compiled data on Western lending to Eastern Europe for use in developing an Administration position on a bill to regulate the flow of US money abroad.

NESA prepared a typescript for Vice President Bush assessing the Algerian threat to Morocco and concluding that Algiers wants to force Rabat to negotiate a political solution to the Western Sahara problem

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NESA preapred talking points and a briefing paper for the President and the NSC on Libyan subversion and terrorism.

NESA attended a meeting chaired by Assistant Under Secretary of Defense Pillsbury on the results of the 12-13 August visit to the United States of Indian National Science Adviser

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OEA wrote a typescript on why the Vietnamese Foreign Minister was not available for talks on PW/MIA matters with US officials visiting Hanoi for the Office of the Secretary of Defense International Security Affairs.

OEA and SOVA briefed CINCPAC Fleet Commander designate Admiral Lyons on conditions in the Philippines, the Combodian situation, ASEAN policy, North-South issues and prospects for political stability in Seoul, and Soviet policy in Asia.

OGI provided State's Office of Public Policy an unclassified paper on Nicaraguan support for terrorism.

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OSWR debriefed Steven Cohen of State's Policy Planning Council on President Zia of Pakistan and Ambassador Dean on Soviet Defense Space Talks negotiator Kvitsinskiy.

OSWR participated in discussions with the Chief Scientist, SDIO regarding Soviet activities in SDI-related research.

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SOVA met with officials from the SDI Program Office to discuss Soviet reactions to the SDI and their potential costs.

Research

DI offices are taking actions in response to the DCI's comments on the 1986 Research Program, and the Office and Theme Programs should be published by 1 October.

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ALA officers met with contractors to review studies on military spending in Latin America and Latin American debt prospects.

EUEi published an IA, "Spain: Communism in Crisis," noting that prc¯lems of leadership change and disagreement, as well as the poss_ble formation of a third communist splinter, promise a continua¯ion of hard times for the movement.

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SOVA published an IA, "Gorbachev's Approach to Societal Malaise: A Managed Revitalization," that assesses policies on labor discipline, corruption, and crime; consumer issues; alcoholism; and disaffection of youth. A related IA, "The Soviet Anticorruption Campaign: Causes, Consequences, and Prospects," concludes that although the campaign has already had a significant political impact, Gorbachev probably realizes that corrupti¯n is so deeply entrenched that the best he can hope for is to r•¯uce the worst excesses and restore a semblance of bureauc tic propriety.

A ▬eting of the Soviet Military-Economic Research Group brought ¯ogether SOVA and DIA analysts to guide research and compare ▴nd discuss differences in methodology and results.

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Other

A NESA analyst doing research on the prospects for the Islamic resurgence attended the annual meeting of the International Association of the History of Religions

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As part of the process of installing an automated integrated library system, the CIA Library barcoded its first book Wednesday, 28 August. "In Search of Excellence" received barcode zero as the first of 60,000 books to be processed for the Library's online catalog and automated circulation system.

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Briefings on the Hill

There were 3 briefing on the Hill this past week.

SOVA briefed the Senatorial Delegation going to the Soviet Union on Soviet leadership issues.

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