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YOUR TELNO 1998 (NOT TO ALL) AND 1999: POLAND : US MEASURES  
AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESIDENT REAGAN'S STATEMENT TODAY ON  
MEASURES WITH IMMEDIATE AFFECT AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION.

QUOTE

THE SOVIET UNION BEARS A HEAVY AND DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR THE REPRESSION IN POLAND. FOR MANY MONTHS THE SOVIETS  
PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY DEMANDED SUCH A CRACKDOWN. THEY BROUGHT  
MAJOR PRESSURES TO BEAR THROUGH NON-PUBLIC LETTERS TO THE POLISH  
LEADERSHIP, MILITARY MANEUVERS, AND OTHER FORMS OF INTIMIDATION.  
THEY NOW OPENLY ENDORESE THE SUPPRESSION WHICH HAS ENSUED.

LAST WEEK I ANNOUNCED THAT I HAD SENT A LETTER TO PRESIDENT  
BREZHNEV URGING HIM TO PERMIT THE RESTORATION OF BASIC HUMAN  
RIGHTS IN POLAND AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. I  
ALSO INFORMED HIM THAT, IF THE REPRESSION CONTINUED, THE UNITED  
STATES WOULD HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO TAKE FURTHER CONCRETE POLITICAL  
AND ECONOMIC MEASURES AFFECTING OUR RELATIONSHIP.

THE REPRESSION IN POLAND CONTINUES, AND PRESIDENT BREZHNEV HAS  
RESPONDED IN A MANNER WHICH MAKES IT CLEAR THE SOVIET UNION DOES  
NOT UNDERSTAND THE SERIOUSNESS OF OUR CONCERN, AND ITS OBLIGATIONS  
UNDER BOTH THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT AND THE U.N. CHARTER. I HAVE,  
THEREFORE, DECIDED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING IMMEDIATE MEASURES WITH  
REGARD TO THE SOVIET UNION:

- ALL AEROFOLT SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES WILL BE SUSPENDED.
- THE SOVIET PURCHASING COMMISSION IS BEING CLOSED.
- THE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR THE EXPORT TO THE  
USSR OF ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, COMPUTERS AND OTHER  
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  - NEGOTIATIONS ON A NEW US - SOVIET MARITIME AGREEMENT ARE BEING SUSPENDED, AND A NEW REGIME OF PORT-ACCESS CONTROLS WILL BE PUT INTO EFFECT FOR ALL SOVIET SHIPS WHEN THE CURRENT AGREEMENT EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31.
  - LICENSES WILL BE REQUIRED FOR EXPORT TO THE SOVIET UNION FOR AN EXPANDED LIST OF OIL AND GAS EQUIPMENT. ISSUANCE OF SUCH LICENSES WILL BE SUSPENDED. THIS INCLUDES PIPELAYERS.
  - US - SOVIET EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS COMING UP FOR RENEWAL IN THE NEAR FUTURE, INCLUDING THE AGREEMENTS ON ENERGY AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, WILL NOT BE RENEWED. THERE WILL BE A COMPLETE REVIEW OF ALL OTHER US - SOVIET EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS.

THE UNITED STATES WANTS A CONSTRUCTIVE AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION. WE INTEND TO MAINTAIN A HIGH-LEVEL DIALOGUE, BUT WE ARE PREPARED TO PROCEED IN WHATEVER DIRECTION THE SOVIET UNION DECIDES UPON -- TOWARDS GREATER MUTUAL RESTRAINT AND COOPERATION, OR FURTHER DOWN A HARSH AND LESS REWARDING PATH. WE WILL WATCH EVENTS IN POLAND CLOSELY IN COMING DAYS AND WEEKS. FURTHER STEPS MAY BE NECESSARY AND I WILL BE PREPARED TO TAKE THEM. AMERICAN DECISIONS WILL BE DETERMINED BY SOVIET ACTIONS.

SECRETARY HAIG HAS BEEN IN COMMUNICATION WITH OUR FRIENDS AND ALLIES ABOUT THE MEASURES WE ARE TAKING AND EXPLAINED WHY WE BELIEVE SUCH STEPS ARE ESSENTIAL AT THIS TIME.

ONCE AGAIN I CALL UPON THE SOVIET UNION TO RECOGNIZE THE CLEAR DESIRE OF THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE POLISH PEOPLE FOR A PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, RENEWAL AND REFORM.

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