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TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

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August 17, 1989

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PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Kennebunkport, Maine **DATE** 17 August 1989

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1512	Depart Walker's Point via Motorcade	(LOW KEY)
1521	Arrive Cape Arrundel Golf Club	(LOW KEY)
1733	Depart Cape Arrundel Golf Club	
	via Motorcade	(LOW KEY)
1743	Arrive Walker's Point	(LOW KEY)

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News Summary

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TODAY'S HEADLINES

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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DESIGN FLAW SEEN AS FAILURE CAUSE IN TRIDENT 2 TESTS -- The Navy believes designers made a fundamental miscalculation in building its biggest nuclear missile, the Trident 2, which has failed in two of its three underwater tests, a Navy official said Wednesday. (New York Times)

NETWORK NEWS (Wednesday evening)

ANTI-DRUG STRATEGY -- The President announced Wednesday that drugs will be the subject of his first nationally televised address since the inauguration.

POLAND -- It now seems possible that Poland will wind up with a non-communist government headed by Lech Walesa.

HOSTAGES -- Syrian President Assad sent a message to Austria's President Waldheim that condemns the killing Lt. Col. Higgins.

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WALESA/PRIME MINISTRY

WARSAW -- Solidarity members of Parliament overwhelmingly endorsed a resolution Wednesday night calling for the first non-Communist government in the Soviet bloc, with Lech Walesa as prime minister.

Walesa, however, said early Thursday that "I will not be prime minister. There are better people than Walesa" for the job. But he added it was not his final decision.

"The final decision is will be when they nail up my coffin," he told reporters....

In a show of hands from the Solidarity caucus, the independent movement's 161 Sejm deputies and 98 senators endorsed a government formed by a coalition under Walesa's leadership....

In a last-minute amendment, they altered the wording to leave open the possibility that Walesa could designate someone else to be prime minister.

Asked who the coalition will propose for prime minister, Solidarity parliamentary leader Bronislaw Geremek said, "Walesa will decide." He said it should be known by the end of the week. (AP)

WALESA APPROVED AS CANDIDATE FOR PRIME MINISTER

WARSAW -- Lech Walesa was approved as a candidate for prime minister Wednesday in a vote by parliamentarians from Solidarity and two non-Communist political parties.

Deputies overwhelmingly passed a resolution reading: "We think a parliamentary coalition of the United Peasants' Party, the Democratic Party and Solidarity can form a government of national responsibility under the leadership of Lech Walesa." ...

The exact tally of the vote in favor of Walesa was not calculated. But most of the three groups 264 deputies attended the meeting and fewer than 10 voted against Walesa.

"I never planned that Lech Walesa should become prime minister, but I want to help the reform wings of the UPP and the Democratic Party to get into the government and answer the call of the time," Walesa told the meeting earlier. (Tony Barber, Reuter)

POLISH LAWMAKERS VOTE TO FORM NEW GOVERNMENT UNDER WALESA
Solidarity Leader Casts Doubt About Becoming Prime Minister

WARSAW -- Solidarity movement legislators voted Wednesday to form a new governing coalition with two small parties long allied with the Polish Communist Party and called on Solidarity leader Lech Walesa to serve as prime minister in what would be the first non-Communist government in the Soviet Bloc in more than four decades.

Leaders of both the United Peasants' Party and the Democratic Party, long-time junior partners in the ruling Communist alliance, earlier in the day had endorsed Walesa's proposal to form a three-party coalition with enough votes in the revamped Polish parliament to maintain a comfortable governing majority.

But after the vote, Walesa quickly cast doubt on whether he would take office, saying, "I am not going to be prime minister, because there are better candidates than I...I am only going to help in forming a government. The government is going to be formed under my leadership." ...

Asked about the reported move to name Walesa prime minister, a senior White House official traveling with President Bush...said that the U.S. government was watching developments with concern. He said that concern dated back to Bush's meeting with Walesa in Poland last month when Walesa expressed doubts about his ability to lead, given the difficult choices facing the country at a time of grave economic difficulties.

In Moscow, a Soviet spokesman, speaking before tonight's vote, said, "We are following closely the developments in Poland. We are not interfering in the internal affairs of that country. The Polish people must solve their own problems. Nonetheless, we are very concerned with the situation that is developing in a neighboring country," the Reuter news agency reported. (A.D. Horne, Washington Post, A1)

U.S. URGES CEASE-FIRE IN BEIRUT
White House Shuns More Active Role

The U.S. called anew Wednesday for "a total and immediate cease-fire" in the fierce Beirut fighting between Syrian and Lebanese Christian forces.

But U.S. officials also made clear that the Bush administration is unwilling to go beyond diplomatic appeals and take an active role that would risk a showdown with Syria or force Washington to choose a side among Lebanon's warring religious and political factions.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher, responding to journalists' questions about U.S. diplomacy in Lebanon, said the U.S. supports efforts by the Arab League to end the crisis and the call issued by the U.N. Security Council Tuesday night for a cease-fire....

"We are pursuing very active diplomacy over Lebanon," a senior U.S. official said Wednesday....

"But our options are strictly diplomatic," the official added. "And we are pursuing them in a part of the world where diplomatic pressures and persuasion are not all that well-respected."

(John Goshko, Washington Post, A30)

SYRIAN ARMOR ENCIRCLES LEBANESE CHRISTIANS
U.N.'s Cease-Fire Call Largely Ignored

BEIRUT -- Syria and its leftist Moslem allies reinforced their military positions encircling Lebanon's Christian enclave Wednesday in the face of a U.N. Security Council cease-fire call that went largely unheeded.

The leader of Lebanon's Christian forces, Maj. Gen. Michel Aoun, said he accepted the U.N. cease-fire call but vowed to resist Syrian military pressure. There was no direct response to last night's Security Council appeal, and fighting continued north and east of Beirut as well as in the capital....

In the absence of a direct response from the Syrian capital, Damascus Radio indirectly criticized Arab mediators in the Lebanese conflict while the official newspaper al Thawra said Syria would resist pressure to pull its 33,000 troops out of Lebanon. (Nora Boustany, Washington Post, A1)

PAKISTANI MINISTER WILL ATTEMPT HOSTAGE MEDIATION IN IRAN, SYRIA

KARACHI, Pakistan -- Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan left Wednesday for Tehran and Damascus to try to mediate the Lebanese hostage crisis....

Diplomatic sources said that Yaqub Khan's chances of making a breakthrough seemed slim but that his trip at least provided a channel for discussions. (Reuter, Washington Post, A30)

HOSTAGE SITUATION STRAINING WASHINGTON'S TIES TO ISRAEL

Interviews with both Israeli and American officials indicate that while on the surface the two sides have been maintaining a cordial relationship [throughout the hostage crisis], behind the diplomatic facade they have been jousting, sending each other a variety of undiplomatic direct and indirect messages regarding each other's behavior in the hostage affair. This has continued up to the present.

Although no one in Washington or Jerusalem says relations are in a "crisis," there is tension and a recognition by both sides that the hostage affair is full of land mines, and that so long as it is the main focus of U.S.-Israeli relations an explosion is possible at any moment.

"The Israelis have not been as adept at handling this relationship as they should be," said an administration official. "They have failed to understand our concerns and what they have to do in order to keep the relationship on track. They cannot take this relationship for granted and go on assuming that everything will come out okay in the future because it did in the past. The relationship needs attention."

(Thomas Friedman, New York Times, A1)

IS CIA DEFICIENT OR IS CRISIS 'INSOLUBLE'?

The CIA needs more specialists and greater secrecy to develop its human-intelligence networks around the world and to contend with international terrorism, according to intelligence experts.

But some experts believe the terrorist groups in Lebanon pose an "insoluble" intelligence problem for the CIA....

"It's the first time we've ever encountered this kind of problem, and it's proved to be insoluble," a former high-ranking CIA official said. "There are only a handful of people who know you're coming, and everything in this world (to penetrate the groups) was tried." ...

CIA spoeksman James Greenleaf said developing human-intelligence agents in the secret war against terrorism is "one of the most difficult aspects of this business."

"Human intelligence continues to be a very high priority in this agency," he said. "We don't want people to think we're sitting back on our high-tech laurels." (Bill Gertz, Washington Times, A5)

BUSH SAYS HE AWAITS SIGNS OF CHANGE IN CUBA

MIAMI -- President Bush, cautiously raising the possibility of better U.S. relations with Cuba, said Wednesday that he stood ready to respond favorably to any signals of a new course from Cuban President Castro.

But Bush made it clear that the Cuban leader had a long road to travel from the "horrors of totalitarianism."

"Yes, someday I'd like to see improved, normalized relations with Cuba," Bush said. "But that cannot be -- and it will not be -- as long as Castro violates the human rights of his own people, as long as he -- almost alone in the entire world now -- swims against the tide that is bringing sweeping change and democracy and freedom to closed societies around the world."

Bush said he would be watching Castro for signs that he "wants to move away from subverting his neighbors and toward more openness, more freedom for his own people."

But until he sees such change, Bush said, "There will be no improvement in relations with Cuba. It simply cannot be."

(G. Robert Hillman, Dallas Morning News)

U.S. INDICATES NORIEGA COULD STAY IN PANAMA IF OUSTED

The State Department Wednesday, in a seeming departure from long-standing U.S. policy, left open the possibility that Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega could stay in that country if he surrendered power.

"We've always said that he must leave power. We've always said that there can be no accommodation with a Noriega-dominated regime," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher told a press briefing....

When asked repeatedly whether the U.S. continued to require Noriega to leave Panama, Boucher refused to elaborate or to state directly that Noriega must leave....

A State Department official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, maintained that Boucher's comments did not represent a shift in policy.

(Deborah Zabarenko, Reuter)

COERCION OF CONTRAS SEEN POSSIBLE

TEGUCIGALPA -- If the Nicaraguan [contra] rebels do not voluntarily lay down their arms by early December, as called for by a regional peace plan signed last week, "coercive methods" would have to be used to force compliance, Honduran Foreign Minister Carlos Lopez Contreras said Wednesday.

If force is needed to disarm the contras...it would be applied by an international peace-keeping force to be stationed on Honduran borders, Lopez Contreras said.

The foreign minister stressed that the threat of force was only a "contingency" and that during the plan's 90-day implementation period, compliance would remain voluntary. (Washington Post, A30)

HONDURAS FORMALLY ASKS U.N. TO SEND PEACE-KEEPING FORCE

TEGUCIGALPA -- Honduras formally asked the U.N. Wednesday to send a peace-keeping force to patrol its borders with Nicaragua and El Salvador.

Meanwhile, a military spokesman announced that U.S. and Honduran ground, naval and air forces will stage a series of maneuvers next month near the country's Nicaraguan border. (Reuter)

B-2 FLIGHT ENDS PREMATURELY; LOW OIL PRESSURE INDICATED

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE -- The B-2 "stealth" bomber's second flight ended prematurely Wednesday when a low oil-pressure reading forced pilots to land the $530 million plane an hour after takeoff.

"We don't even know if it's a problem yet. We're concerned with it and will have to check it out," said 1st Lt. Anu Sjaardema, an Air Force spokeswoman....

"We did achieve some of the things we set out to do, so we can't say it wasn't a successful flight," Sjaardema said.

(AP, Washington Post, A9)

NAVY SAYS TRIDENT MISSILE SELF-DESTRUCTED

The Trident 2 missile that failed a second submarine-firing test Tuesday self-destructed eight seconds after launch and four seconds after breaking the ocean's surface apparently because of a steering problem, the Navy said Wednesday....

But the Navy said in a statement it did not presently expect the latest failure to delay deployment of the missile in December.

(Jim Adams, Reuter)

DESIGN FLAW SEEN AS FAILURE CAUSE IN TRIDENT 2 TESTS

The Navy believes designers made a fundamental miscalculation in building its biggest nuclear missile, the Trident 2, which has failed in two of its three underwater tests, a Navy official said Wednesday....

Rear Adm. Kenneth Malley, head of the Navy's ballistic missile program, said that despite computer simulations, engineers seriously underestimated how much pressure is on the Trident 2 as it hurtles up through the water from its submarine launcher. He said they had also failed to anticipate the effect of "water jets" caused by the missile's movement. (Andrew Rosenthal, New York Times, A1)

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FOES OF U.S. BASES IN SINGAPORE RECONSIDERING THEIR OPPOSITION

Singapore's offer to play host to U.S. military facilities has forced Southeast Asian leaders to reconsider the consequences of a forced American withdrawal from the Philippines, according to diplomats and security analysts....

"The Singapore offer definitely puts pressure on the Filipinos to focus on the future of the bases," said Richard Fisher, an Asia specialist at the Heritage Foundation. "It's a serious offer, more than just a negotiating ploy. But it's already had an effect. Mahathir was never willing to go that far on the bases before."

(Marc Lerner, Washington Times, A8)

PHILIPPINES/DEBT

Negotiators for the Philippines and bank creditors announced tentative agreement Wednesday on a new debt package, allowing the Bush administration to claim a second victory for its program to reduce the debt burden being carried by the Third World.

The Philippines will receive new money in addition to a partial reduction in its $28 billion debt burden....

The Bush administration hailed the Philippines pact as evidence that its initiative to reduce the $1.3 trillion Third World debt burden was bearing fruit. Private economists, however, were less enthusiastic, saying the amount of actual debt reduction was likely to be modest both for the Philippines and Mexico.

Treasury Secretary Brady...predicted that it would "promote significant debt reduction while also providing new money." (AP)

PHILIPPINE DEBT PACT SEEKS TO AVOID BRADY PLAN PITFALLS

It took an astonishingly short time -- just six working days -- for the Philippines and its bank creditors to negotiate the debt agreement that the two sides announced Wednesday. And therein lies some important clues about how the Bush administration's Third World debt strategy is unfolding.

Manila and its bankers in New York, Tokyo and London have put their own stamp on the debt-reduction plan unveiled last March by Treasury Secretary Brady. They were able to reach an accord quickly because they shared a common concern about the Brady plan -- that its emphasis on pushing banks to write down Third World loans would poison relations between banks and debtor nations, closing the door to future infusions of capital that these nations desperately need.

Instead of trying to force debt reduction on the banks, Filipino officials opted for a kinder, gentler approach -- and the banks responded with an offer to try to restore the Philippines to the ranks of credit-worthy nations that can borrow on world capital markets at will....

The voluntary terms of the pact may herald a new direction for the Brady plan, some analysts believe....

Such a development would be most welcome to the banks, especially European banks, who were "absolutely furious about the Mexican deal, and are saying 'never again,'" said one bank industry source.

But Treasury officials were at first less than enthusiastic about the Philippine agreement, according to other banking sources, because they had come to regard the Mexican accord as the sort of pact they had originally envisioned for the Brady plan. (Paul Blustein, Washington Post, E1)

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NATIONAL NEWS

BUSH BOOSTS CANDIDATE FOR PEPPER'S HOUSE SEAT
Aug. 29 Special Election Contest Marked By Intensifying Racial And Ethnic Overtones

MIAMI -- President Bush, in his first major political outing since taking office, Wednesday dropped into the midst of a fight with intensifying racial and ethnic overtones here to succeed the late Rep. Pepper.

He came to raise $400,000 for the Florida Republican Party and its nominee, Ilena Ros-Lehtinen....

Many political analysts are predicting a divisive campaign over this city's ethnic blocs....

The President steered away from the ethnic and racial questions in his remarks to a $500-a-person luncheon fund-raiser here, stressing instead crime and drug abuse....

Anti-Castro sentiment runs strong in the Latin community here, and Bush pledged in his address that he would not seek improved or normalized relations with Havana "as long as Castro violates the human rights of his own people, as long as he, almost alone in the entire world now, swims against the tide that is bringing sweeping change, democracy and freedom, to closed societies around the world."

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A4)

PRESIDENT/DRUG STRATEGY

President Bush intends to rally support for his battle plan against drug abuse on Sept. 5 in his first nationally televised speech as President, his spokesman said Wednesday....

Bush has made up his mind on the controversial issue that had divided his advisers -- whether to withhold federal highway funds, criminal justice assistance and other aid from states that do not take steps such as revoking drug offenders' drivers' licenses and putting in place adequate drug prevention and education programs at schools, it was learned.

However, it was not known which way the president had decided on that point....

Bush said Tuesday that he would not reveal the cost [of the anti-drug strategy] before Sept. 5 and that discussions were still being made on what programs elsewhere in government would have to be tightened to pay for an expanded war on drugs.... Nonetheless, there have been various report of what the cost would be. An administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Wednesday night the cost would be "roughly a billion" dollars more than what Bush set down in his February budget proposal. (AP)

DEA INVESTIGATES POSSIBILITY OFFICIAL AIDED COCAINE RING
Concern Rises Over Corruption In Agency

The DEA is investigating whether a highly decorated official arrested this week on drug-trafficking charges tipped off a major East Coast cocaine ring about agency operations while in a sensitive post in DEA's Office of International Programs, agency sources said Wednesday.

The arrest of Edward O'Brien at Boston's Logan's Airport Monday has, for the first time, raised the possibility that DEA headquarters may have been penetrated by drug traffickers....

"It's a horrible thing for us," said David Westrate, assistant DEA administrator in charge of the operations division, where O'Brien was assigned.

(Michael Isikoff, Washington Post, A1)

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NRA QUESTIONS BENNETT'S SENSITIVITY
Can Drug Chief Grasp Gun Curb's Impact If He Never Served In 'Nam?

The NRA thinks that William Bennett is not a sensitive guy when it comes to servicemen.

In a letter to the national drug policy director, the gun lobby's assistant counsel suggested that because Bennett spent the late 1960s in graduate school instead of Vietnam, he just doesn't understand what it's like to be a lonesome, unstimulated, vulnerable soldier posted to a faraway country, looking forward to going home with a new semiautomatic rifle or two.

The Aug. 10 letter from James Warner criticized Bennett for not considering an important "unforseen consequence" of strongly supporting the government's recent embargo on the importation of 43 kinds of semiautomatic assault weapons....

"While you may not be familiar with the life of a serviceman," Warner wrote to Bennett, "for many of these men the chance to bring home firearms whole posted overseas is small recompense for the isolation, the boredom and the risk of overseas duty." (Amy Stevens, Washington Post, A23)

NEW DATA SAID TO POINT TO 'SOFT LANDING'
Economy Continues Modest Growth

Industrial production rose for the first time in three months in July while housing starts continued to rebound, the government said Wednesday in reports seen as further evidence a recession will be avoided this year.

"It's consistent with the soft-landing scenario, modest growth without tipping into a recession," Thomas Holloway, senior economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association of America, said of the reports.

(John McClain, Washington Post, E3)

BUDGET DEFICIT/CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

The Congressional Budget office projects next year's federal deficit at $141 billion, well above the $110 billion target in the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law, figures obtained Wednesday show.

The budget office...also estimates that without further action, the shortfall will stay at about the same level through fiscal 1993 -- the year Gramm-Rudman requires that the budget be brought into balance. (AP)

GOP TROUNCING DEMOCRATS IN FUND-RAISING

Republican national committees raised $45 million in the first half of the year, five times as much as the $8.9 million donated to their Democratic counterparts, a Federal Election Commission report showed.

In addition, the FEC said Wednesday that Republicans entered the second half of the year with $14.8 million on hand, more than three times the $4.3 million in various Democratic coffers. (Joseph Mianowany, UPI)

EDITOR'S NOTES: "President Plans TV Address To Press War On Drugs," by Maureen Dowd, appears in The New York Times, page A21.

"After Shaky Start, Sununu Comes Into His Own As Savvy -- But Sometimes Abrasive -- Operator," by Gerald Seib, appears in The Wall Street Journal, page A16.

"Right-Wing Zealots Still Wield Power Over Bush Appointees," appears in The Wall Street Journal, page A1.

"A Breakdown Of Accountability; HUD Project In Northwest Washington A Study Of System's Flaws," by David Hilzenrath, appears in The Washington Post, page A1.

"Savings And Loan Law Ignores Key Reforms, Ex-U.S. Regulator Says," by Nathaniel Nash, appears in The New York Times, page B8.

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY for Wednesday Evening, August 16, 1989

DRUGS

NBC's TOM BROKAW reports that the President announced today that drugs will be the subject of his first nationally televised address since the inauguration. It will be on Sept. 5.

NBC's JOHN COCHRAN: President Bush, who has said he wants to be the education president and the environmental president, told a Republican rally in Miami that another issue has pushed to the front.
(PRESIDENT BUSH: "I expect the number one issue in Miami, the number one issue indeed across America, is drugs and the violent crime they spawn. In the fall we're going to be unveiling a total -- first time, a total -- national drug strategy.")
That strategy is a sharp change from the Reagan years, which focused on trying to close America's borders to drug traffic. Bush, then Vice President, was in charge. It was a huge flop; the flow of drugs increased. Now, Bush wants to put more emphasis on working with South American countries to cut off the supply. Bush would also get tougher with drug dealers here at home.
(PRESIDENT: "New laws to punish them, new agents to arrest them, new prosecutors to convict them, and new prisons to hold them.")
But, Administration officials tell NBC, Bush has not decided whether to crack down on drug users as well as pushers. Drug czar William Bennett is urging Bush to call for suspension of driver's licenses for anyone convicted of a drug offense. Many law enforcement officers agree.
(NICK NAVARRO, BROWARD COUNTY SHERIFF: "I think it serves two purposes. One, is a deterrent. And two, those people should not be driving on the highways of this country. They are a potential danger to every innocent person out there.")
But driver's licenses are controlled by states; the federal government's only leverage is to threaten to withdraw highway funds from states which refuse to lift the licenses of drug users. But Bush would have to pay a political price [because] state governors don't like to be threatened. Some of Bush's advisers want him to back off. But during the presidential campaign, Bush made this written pledge: "A driver's license is a privilege and should be suspended from those who are convicted of a drug offense." Other advisers, who urge Bush not to back down, tell him he must force young people to choose between drugs and driving. (NBC-2)

NBC's LISA MYERS reports on addicts who smoke a combination of crack and heroin. It is called chasing the dragon. Experts warn that the combination of these two drugs is even more addictive that crack or heroin is individually. The smoking of heroin has been made easier by a big increase in the purity of heroin on the streets. Some of the heroin now being sold is five times more potent than usual. Addicts refer to it as "bodybag" because the only person you see after you use it is the coroner. The problem is mainly limited to the streets of New York City.

(NBC-3)

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POLAND

BROKAW: Is it possible that Lech Walesa will go from outlawed Solidarity leader to prime minister of Poland? Well, he's in position to do just that tonight. He has the support of Solidarity and two non-Communist parties in the new Polish parliament. This is a result of a deadlock in the Polish efforts to have a representative government. The Communist Party candidate is expected to withdraw tomorrow.

COCHRAN: As anti-communist as the Bush Administration is, I think there's more concern than elation. Concern that Solidarity has gone too far; concern that Lech Walesa may have gone too far; concern that Poland's Communists may not tolerate this; concern that Gorbachev in the Kremlin may not be able to swallow this; and [concern that] we could have a replay of December 1981 when Poland's Communists cracked down on Solidarity, outlawing it and putting Walesa under house arrest for about a year. That would [probably] not happen this time because Gorbachev is very different from Brezhnev, the Soviet leader back in '81. And also, even Poland's Communists know they desperately need Western economic aid because of Poland's terrible economy. And so they'll [probably] do nothing that would bring down some sort of Western economic boycott once again.

BROKAW DISCUSSES THE POLISH SITUATION WITH COCHRAN:

BROKAW: Do you think Walesa really wants to become the prime minister?

COCHRAN: Not yet. He was thinking about becoming prime minister or president in the mid-1990s. I think that this time he feels, probably once again, that he's not acceptable to the Communist Party. But if it's another Solidarity leader, that's just as bad for the Communists as Walesa is. I'm struck by this turnaround. Just a few years ago, I interviewed Walesa and I thought I was talking to a depressed man who thought his day on the world stage was over. It's clearly not. One thing, however, that Walesa has done is to say that Solidarity in no way would try to take over the Interior Department or the Defense Ministry. That would be unacceptable to Poland's Communists and even to Gorbachev. (NBC-Lead)

ABC's TED KOPPEL: This could turn out to be one of the most extraordinary days in recent Polish history. Indeed, it might be one of the most remarkable events in the modern history of Eastern Europe. Poland tonight seems on the verge of electing, as its prime minister, a man who was jailed by the government only a few years ago. Tonight in Warsaw, a coalition of deputies from Solidarity and two other non-communist parties passed a resolution calling for a government under the leadership of Lech Walesa.

ABC's JIM HICKEY reports from Poland that Walesa arrived in Warsaw tonight amid increasing talk that he could become Poland's next prime minister. The people doing most of the talking about electing Walesa are members of parliament from Solidarity, the United Peasant Party, and the Democratic Party. The Peasant Party, once tied to the Communist Party, threw its weight behind Solidarity and Walesa's plan to form a coalition government. With the Democrats already backing the plan, Solidarity and its new allies have a majority in Parliament. Solidarity drafted a resolution for tonight's meeting that names Walesa prime minister.

Looking very much the part of prime minister, Walesa told the caucus they had no choice but to form a non-communist coalition. The leader of the Communist Party today complained that Walesa's coalition plan violates agreements between the Communists and the opposition. He said it's now an open fight for power and warned the situation is dangerous. Walesa has tried to sooth Communist Party jitters, in Poland and in the Soviet Union, by proposing that sensitive ministries, such as Defense and Interior, remain in communist hands. Walesa has also given assurances that under a Solidarity-led coalition, Poland would not upset the Warsaw Pact alliance. A Soviet spokesman today called Walesa's comments sensible and said Moscow would not interfere in the internal affairs of Poland. That seems to put to rest, at least for the time being, fears that the Soviet Union might try to prevent a non-communist coalition. The question tonight is: What do Polish Communists plan to do about it? (ABC-Lead)

CBS's BOB SCHIEFFER: More signs of extraordinary change in the Soviet bloc again tonight. It may sound incredible, but it now seems possible that Poland will wind up with a non-communist government headed by long-time opposition leader Lech Walesa. It's been a day of heavy political maneuvering in Warsaw.

CBS's ANTHONY MASON reports that if Walesa's coalition holds, it could lead to the first non-Communist government in Eastern Europe in more than 40 years. The election of a Solidarity-led coalition would be a humiliation for the Communists. Poland's next prime minister, whoever he is, will have to make some highly unpopular decisions. Walesa is expected to meet with President Jaruzelski tomorrow to begin negotiations for power.

(CBS-Lead)

HOSTAGES

KOPPEL reports that Syrian President Assad sent a message to Austria's President Kurt Waldheim that condemns the killing of Col. William Higgins and pledges to seek the release of all hostages in the region. The Pakistani foreign minister arrived in Tehran today where he is expected to discuss the hostage issue.

ABC's MIKE LEE reports from London that the Iranian parliament today elected a radical anti-Western cleric, Mehdi Karrubi, as its new speaker. His influence over lawmakers represents the latest in a series of what appears to be political losses for President Rafsanjani. Rafsanjani has so far failed to form a new cabinet and is reportedly being pressured to include radicals, such as the reputed paymaster of the Hezbollah kidnappers in Lebanon. For the first time in 60 years, Iranian politics are no longer dominated by a single strong personality, such as the Shah or Khomeini. The current process of dividing the power means that Western governments, like their hostages, just have to wait and hope that the moderates will prevail eventually. (ABC-3, NBC-6)

LEBANON

ABC's JERRY KING reports from Damascus that during the morning lull in the shelling, many Lebanese sought visas from any foreign embassy that might issue them. The Christian strongman, General Aoun, said he would observe a cease-fire. Meanwhile, President Assad said he wanted to end the fighting, although eyewitnesses reported that fresh troops were entering Lebanon. Late this afternoon, both factions began shelling each other again. As one Middle East observer noted: "There are too many fighters around with too many causes." It is estimated that the Christians can muster 15,000 soldiers and militiamen, 300 artillery pieces, and 80 tanks. On the other side, there are 30,000 Lebanese-Moslems, Palestinians and pro-Iranian fighters plus some 40,000 Syrian troops. They are backed with at least 500 artillery pieces and 200 Soviet-supplied tanks. No one in Damascus expects President Assad and his Moslem allies to accept a cease-fire until Gen. Aoun completely capitulates, or is defeated militarily.

(ABC-2, NBC-7, CBS-8)

SYRIA

CBS's ALLEN PIZZEY reports from Damascus that Syrian President Assad's hard line in the war in Lebanon has cost him considerable support in the Arab world. A special Arab League mission failed in its efforts to mediate in the Beirut crisis. It later criticized Syria. The U.S. applauded this stand.

(JOHN McCARTHY, U.S. AMBASSADOR TO LEBANON: "I think that by pointing out that the attitude of Syria is not helpful -- and it is one of the principal obstacles -- that alone is a major achievement.")

Syria seems prepared to use the hostage issue as a means to pursue its case for a pre-eminent role in Lebanon. Estimates are that Syria owes the Soviet Union $10-15 billion for arms. Observers in Damascus feel that the Soviets don't expect to see the cash. Instead, they will try to extract repayment by trying to use Syria to push Moscow's policies in the region.

(CBS-9)

NBC'S COMMENTARY -- LEBANON

NBC's JOHN CHANCELLOR comments that last week, 20,000 shells and rockets fell on 100 Lebanese cities and towns in a 24-hour period. The question is not so much who fired those shells, but who paid for them? Syria buys its weapons from the Soviet Union with money, I am told, from Saudi Arabia. There are probably other paymasters in this ugly business, but three are known: Syria, Saudi Arabia and Iraq. How about sanctions against governments that are paying to have innocent civilians murdered? Can't something be done? If the civilized world could stop the money, that would go a long way toward solving the problem in Lebanon. (NBC-8)

CUBA

SCHIEFFER reports that in Miami today, President Bush said that he'd like to see relations with Cuba normalized. That won't happen, he said, until Fidel Castro takes steps to give Cuba more freedom and openness. Mr. Bush accused Castro of swimming against the tide of reform that has swept other communist nations. The President was in Miami to campaign for the Republican who is seeking the House seat of the late Rep. Pepper.

(CBS-10)

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SOVIET UNION/SOLZHENITSYN

SCHIEFFER reports that exiled Soviet author Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn was seen on Soviet television tonight. It was the first time he has ever appeared on Soviet television. The broadcast was in connection with the upcoming publication of his book, "The Gulag Archipelago," in the Soviet Union.
(CBS-2)

FLAG BURNING

NBC's ANDREA MITCHELL reports that after using the Pledge of Allegiance to win the Oval Office, George Bush knows the power of the flag as a political symbol. ("Hail to the Chief" plays in the background.) The President called for a Constitutional amendment to ban flag burning while denying any political motives.
(PRESIDENT BUSH: "Our purpose today transcends politics and partisanship.")
Republican Congressional leaders also rushed to wrap themselves in the flag amendment. So did some Democrats. Congressmen say the public's desire for an amendment has cooled. Calls and letters from constituents have dropped dramatically and recent polls have shown a majority of people are now against an amendment. Democratic leaders say people are having second thoughts about tinkering with the Constitution.
(SPEAKER FOLEY: "The danger is not only amending the constitution without necessity, it's lowering the level of resistance, in the Congress and in the country, to amendments to the Constitution.")
But after what happened in the 1988 campaign, most Democrats are afraid of how Republicans might use the issue against them in future campaigns.
(ED ROLLINS: "If Democrats stand up and say: 'I don't want a constitutional amendment because I think it's O.K. to desecrate the flag,' we're going to win on that issue.")
Although many Democrats favor a law, rather than an amendment, there are questions of whether such a law would pass constitutional muster.
(SEN. McCAIN: "My question is: If we pass legislation, will that be declared immediately unconstitutional?")
(SEN. KERRY: "Symbols are very important, they provoke great emotion in me. We didn't die for the flag in Vietnam, we died for each other. We gave to each other. And we gave very often to people we didn't even know. That's what's wonderful about America. That's what is really great about America.")
Although the passion for an amendment has subsided, it's an issue politicians are afraid to ignore. Congress and the President are now competing to see who can get credit for saving the flag. (NBC-10)

CLEAN GAS

ABC's BRIAN ROONEY reports from Los Angeles that ARCO will begin selling Californians a reformulated gasoline to replace leaded gas in older cars and trucks. There are still more than a million of the older cars and trucks on the road in southern California, and they produce 30% of the automotive air pollution in the area. The new gas is called Emission Control 1 (EC-1).
(GEORGE BABIKIAN, PRESIDENT ARCO PRODUCTS CO.: "If everyone in southern California were to use gasoline equivalent to EC-1, there would be some 350 tons per day of auto pollution removed from the air.")

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ROONEY continues: Although ARCO says it wants to cut back air pollution, it's not doing this entirely in the public interest. The company developed the new mixture, with no new ingredients, after the state government announced plans to move toward less polluting auto fuels. The new gas goes on sale Sept. 1. (ABC-8)

UNITED FLIGHT 232

ABC's KATHLEEN DELASKI reports that federal investigators are still searching for clues as to why part of the United DC-10's tail engine exploded. As a precaution, the NTSB will recommend more frequent and more thorough inspections of these types of tail engines which are used on most of the world's DC-10s. It is up to the FAA to enact the recommendations, but it is fairly certain that the agency will do so. (ABC-5)

STEALTH BOMBER

KOPPEL reports that the B-2 stealth bomber made its second test flight today. It was forced to land after only an hour when an oil pressure gauge flashed a warning signal. Officials say they don't know if it was really low pressure or just a faulty gauge. (ABC-6, NBC-9, CBS-3)

ECONOMY

SCHIEFFER reports that two economic reports offered encouraging signs that the U.S. economy could avoid a recession. Industrial production was up 0.2% in July; that reverses a two-month decline. Housing starts rose for the second consecutive month, apparently responding to lower interest rates. (CBS-7)

GENERIC DRUGS

KOPPEL reports that the FDA will launch new safety tests on the 30 most prescribed generic drugs. The announcement follows allegations of payoffs and other irregularities in the approval process for the generic drugs. (ABC-7, CBS-6)

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ARMAND HAMMER
CHAIRMAN AND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

17 August 1989

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I tried to reach you by telephone on Tuesday, but the message may have gone astray. I was calling to thank you for signing the Pardon on Monday which means more to me than I can adequately express. I am very grateful.

As you know, I have had the privilege of serving as Chairman of the President's Cancer Panel since 1981. In that capacity, I am charged with reporting personally to the President each year on the works of the National Cancer Institute. Our report for the year past is completed and I would very much like to have the opportunity of presenting it to you in person so I might highlight a few of the important accomplishments which the NCI has achieved. This would take no more than 15 or 20 minutes of your time. I last presented the report to President Reagan in February 1988 and so feel the timing would be appropriate to bring you fully up to date.

I hope to hear from you soon.

With warmest regards.

Respectfully,

Armand Hammer

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From the desk of

George Bush THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN 9-5

John S.

Note his request on Cancer. OK to do if Cancer Docs, come too. Ask Buntlee!
GB

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August 28, 1989

Dear Mr. Hammer:

The President asked me to thank you for your letter requesting a meeting with him to discuss the results of the President's Cancer Panel report on the work of the National Cancer Institute.

Although I am unable to give you a commitment on the President's schedule at this time, I will be back in touch with you in the next few weeks regarding your request for an appointment. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (202) 456-2823.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH W. HAGIN II
Deputy Assistant to the President
for Appointments and Scheduling

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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DATE: August 17, 1989 (Kennebunkport)

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO: Chase Untermeyer

Alec Courtelis raised with me Jay Kislak

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Alec also thought that he might be good for some other board.

Kislak is a strong leader in the Jewish community and a long-time supporter and friend. He has a very good reputation in business.

Please discuss with me when I return.

cc: John Sununu

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: August 17, 1989 (Kennebunkport)

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO: John Sununu

Yesterday, Alec Courtelis did raise the question of the RTC. He told me that he had been told he would have to give up the fundraising in order to be on the RTC. I told him that if that were true, I didn't want him to do that.

I told him I would check with Brady, then I will get a clear signal back to Alec that he should not press for the RTC because he is certainly needed too much in his important fundraising role.

Just FYI.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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DATE: August 17, 1989 (Kennebunkport)

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TO: John Sununu

RE: Joe Zappala

Alec Courtelis tells me that Mel Sembler is getting a lot of strong support from the Jewish community. It occurs to me that the Italian-American community should be up in arms about the treatment given Joe Zappala.

When we get back, let's put on a full court press to get our Italian-American friends to support our outstanding nominee, Joe Zappala. I am sure the Italian-American Federation would be glad to do just that.

cc: Chase Untermeyer
Fred McClure

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Dear Ivan - Samantha

Herewith a tiny wedding present.

Marvin from Margaret, indeed

all Burkes send our family love

Craig Bunk

THE WHITE HOUSE
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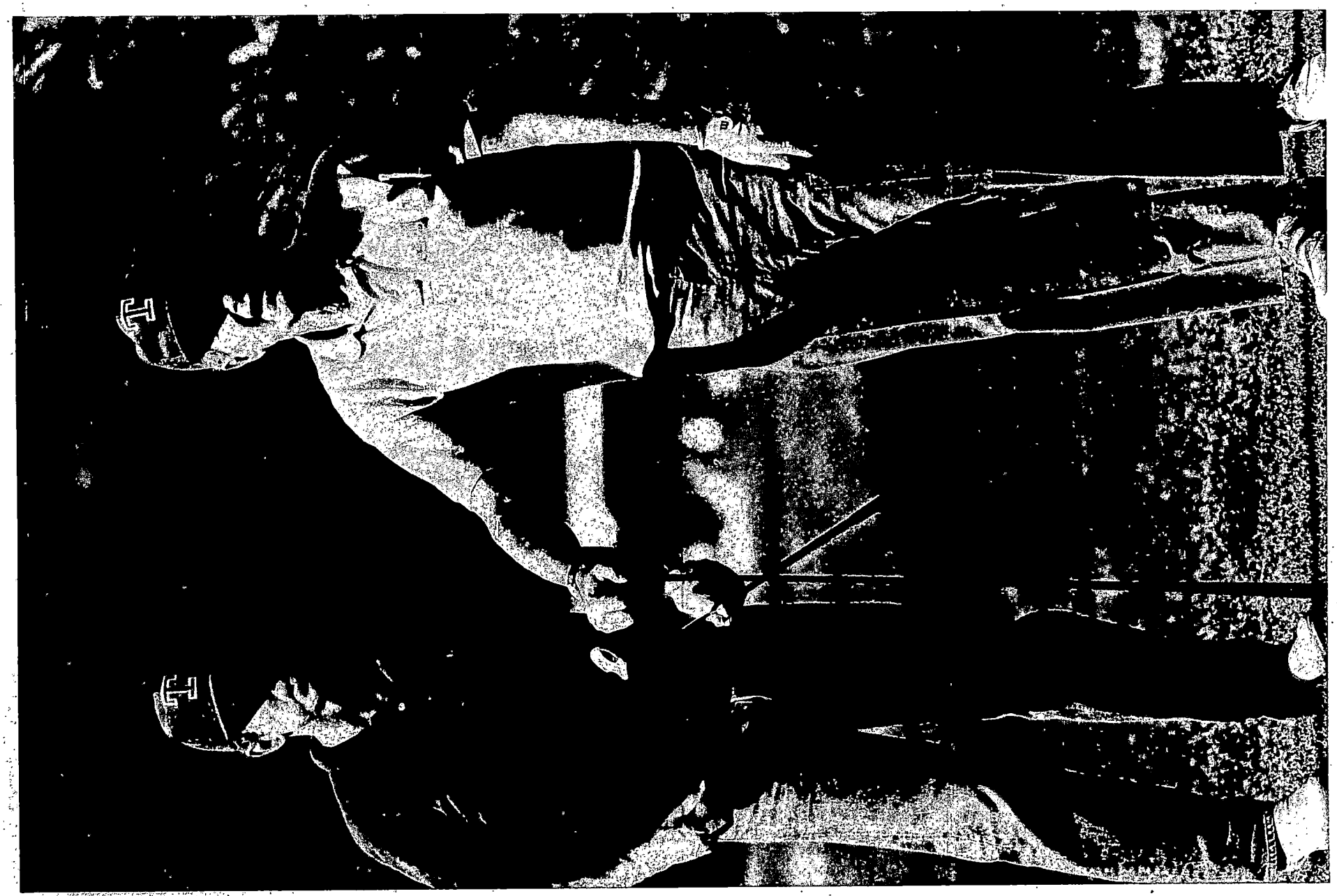

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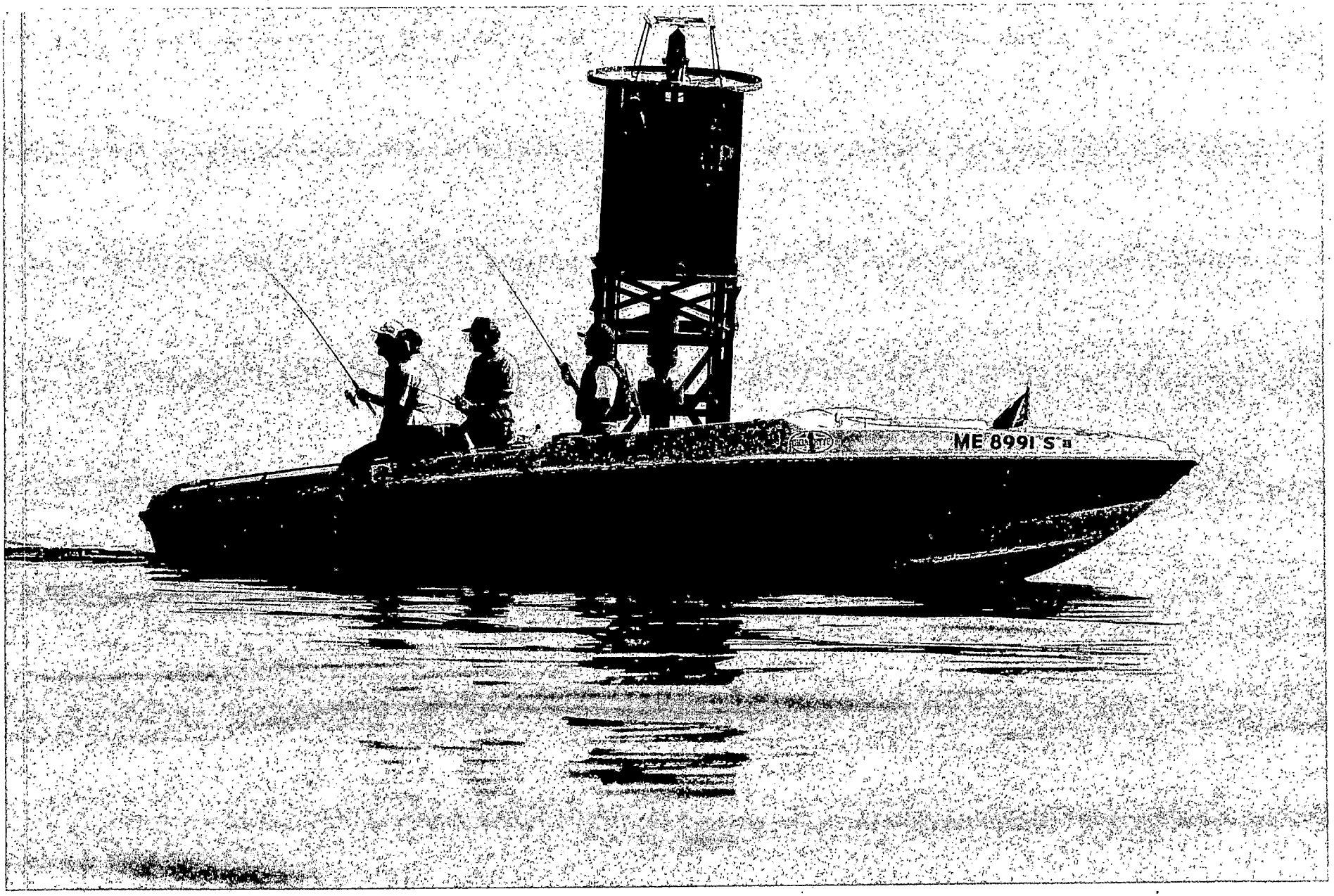

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