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OUTLINE

- I. Background--The Situation When the Revolution Succeeded.
  - President's statement and decision to maintain relations.
  - Attack of February 14
  - Reduction in U.S. Personnel
  - Substance of initial discussions with PGOI
- II. Diplomatic representation
  - Departure of Ambassador Sullivan
  - Agreement and rejection of Ambassador Cutler
  - Assignment of Charge Laingen
- III. Embassy staffing and security
  - Number of personnel assigned in March and increases in Embassy staff through November.
  - Authorization for dependents to return; return of two dependents in September.
  - Physical modifications to the Embassy
  - Plan for protection of the Embassy
  - Embassy guard force during period March-May, May-August, August-November
  - Attack on the Embassy November 4
- IV. Political Relations
  - Contacts with senior Government officials in Tehran, Washington, New York, and Algiers

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-- Major themes of those discussions

V. Economic/Commercial Relations

-- Situation of U.S. firms immediately after revolution

-- Improving security conditions and first advisory to American businessmen in April.

-- Summary of private U.S.-Iranian discussions on business matters.

-- Major commercial disputes

-- Second advisory to American businessmen in September

-- Level of U.S. business representation in Iran in October.

-- Freeze of assets

VI. Oil

-- Number of contracts signed after the revolution

-- Level of shipments

-- Decision to sell kerosene and heating oil

-- Discontinuation of oil purchases in November

VII. Consular Relations

-- Consular services in the March-May period

-- Survey mission

-- Increase in services during the summer

-- New consulate facility and resumption of full services;

-- Workload and backlog of NIV applicants

-- Services for Iranians in third country posts

-- Decisions on handling of Iranians in the U.S.; voluntary departure, asylum

-- Decisions during the crisis

VIII. Military Relations

- Background of February 3 Memorandum of Understanding
- Attempts to contact PGOI officials and initial decisions on trust fund management.
- Summary of discussions with Iranian officials during the spring and summer.
- Congressional action on Spruance ships
- Decision to release unclassified spare parts in the pipeline and to sell small quantities of additional spare parts; prohibition on sensitive equipment and ammunition.
- Iranian reaction
- Staffing of MAAG Defense Liaison Group
- Suspension of FMS sales and commercial licenses
- Continuation of training programs.

IX. Human Rights

- Executions and other Iranian violations.
- Status of minority groups
- U.S. representations

X. Press Relations

- Iranian attitude toward foreign press and restrictions on journalists.
- U.S. representations

XI. The Shah

- Request in December for approval to come to the U.S.
- Renewed request in January
- Departure from Iran and travel to Egypt, Morocco, Bermuda, and Mexico

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- Inquiries from Americans about the Shah's desire to come to the U.S.
- The Administration's concerns and tentative plans in August
- The Shah's illness and request to come to the U.S.
- Contacts with the PGOI about the Shah's presence in the U.S.
- The present U.S. position

XII. Post-Crisis Relations

- The U.S. attitude toward Iran
- Level of representation and status of relations
- Embassy staffing and facilities
- Present status of political, economic, military and consular issues.
- The outlook for the future.

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