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November 11, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Henry A. Kissinger /Q

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SUBJECT:

Message of Appreciation from First Secretary Gierek

Polish First Secretary Gierek has sent a message of appreciation (at Tab A) for your hospitality during his recent visit to the United States. He indicates his desire to reciprocate during a visit by you and Mrs. Ford to Poland.

The First Secretary expresses pleasure at meeting you and notes that the cordial atmosphere of the visit ensured frank and comprehensive talks. He states his belief that the talks were constructive and expresses his satisfaction that the cause of peace and the effort to make detente irreversible are matters of greatest concern to the Governments of the United States and Poland. Gierek also emphasizes his conviction that his meeting with you contributed to the further expansion of relations between Poland and the United States both on political questions and in the area of trade, industrial, scientific and technical cooperation.

The First Secretary states that your visit to Poland will allow the two of you to continue the exchange of ideas and views on issues pertaining to Polish-American relations and the contribution of the two countries to strengthening world peace and international security. Gierek concludes with best wishes on behalf of his wife and himself to Mrs. Ford for a speedy recovery, and to you for personal happiness and success.

First Secretary Gierek's message is forwarded for your information. As you have already sent him a letter thanking him for his gifts and expressing your satisfaction with his visit, no further action is required on your part.

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