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OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington, D.C., October 24, 1974.

My dear Mr. President,

I have the great honor and pleasure to convey to you the following message of Edward Gierek, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party:

Warsaw, October 21, 1974.

My dear Mr. President,

I wish to convey to you cordial thanks on behalf of Mrs. Gierek and on my own behalf, for the hospitality and the sentiments of friendship you and the people of the United States extended to us during the whole of our sejourn on hospitable soil of the United States. Both my wife and I, as well as members of our party, have been greatly impressed by them.

We desire to reciprocate those manifestations of warm feelings and cordiality during your and Mrs. Ford's visit to Poland.

We are extremely glad we could meet you directly, Mr. President, and in your person the outstanding statesman and leader of the great American nation.

The cordial atmosphere in which our visit was held ensured frank and comprehensive talks with you and your close associates. They enabled us to exchange views on the most important subjects concerning the relations between Poland and the United States as well as on major international issues. I consider those talks as extremely constructive and useful.

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

I wish to express my profound satisfaction at the fact that the cause of world peace and security and the efforts to make international detente an irreversible process are matters of greatest concern to both our Governments.

I am deeply convinced that our meeting contributed to the further all-round expansion of relations between the Polish People's Republic and the United States of America both on the political plane and in the area of trade, industrial, scientific and technical cooperation, as well as to the continued strengthening of traditional bonds between our two peoples. We gave expression to it in the documents and agreements which we signed and which create still more solid grounds than before for the further, broad development of mutual relations.

I entertain deep conviction that also your visit to Poland, to which
I am looking forward, will enable us to continue the exchange of ideas and
views on issues pertaining to the Polish-American relations as well as to
the contribution of our countries to the strengthening of world peace and
international security.

May I use this opportunity to convey to Mrs. Ford, on behalf of my wife and myself, the best wishes for a speedy recovery.

I wish you, Mr. President, personal happiness and all success in your highly responsible work for the good of the American people and the cause of peace.

Sincerely,

Edward Gierek."

Please accept, my dear Mr. President the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours

Witold Trampczyńsk Ambassador

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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September 22,

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Henry A. Kissinger (

SUBJECT:

Message from First Secretary Gierek

On September 8-9, the Polish-U.S. Economic Council held its first meeting in Warsaw. The Council is the result of an agreement between the chambers of commerce of the United States and Poland and its formation was announced during First Secretary Gierek's visit here last October. The text of the message you sent to the Council on the occasion of its first session is at Tab B.

In connection with the Council meeting and your message, First Secretary Gierek has written (at Tab A) to express his pleasure at the eminence of the American delegation and to commend the contribution of the U.S. Chairman, Mr. Brooks McCormick, President of the International Harvester Company. Gierek states that your message to the Council confirms your interest in developing economic relations between the U.S. and Poland and expresses his belief that the important bilateral economic objectives you and he have jointly formulated will be successfully implemented. He offers his best regards to you and Mrs. Ford.

First Secretary Gierek's letter is a response to your message to the Polish-U.S. Economic Council. No reply is necessary.

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ACTION September 17, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

Mr. Clift

SUBJECT:

Message to the President from Polish

First Secretary Gierek

In response to the President's message (at Tab B) to the Polish-US Economic Council on the occasion of its first session on September 8-9 in Warsaw, First Secretary Gierek has written (at Tab A) to commend the U.S. delegation and its chairman and also to state that the President's attention to the Council meeting confirms for the Poles his interest in developing bilateral economic relations.

The memorandum for your signature to the President at Tab I would forward the First Secretary's letter, together with a brief summary. It would advise that the letter is a response to his message to the Council and that a reply would not seem necessary.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the information memorandum for the President at Tab I.

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Text of the Message

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE FOR US-POLISH ECONOMIC COUNCIL

It is a pleasure to greet the members of the US-Polish Economic Council on the occasion of its first formal session.

The economic relationship between the United States and Poland has grown significantly in the 1970s. Trade between our two countries has increased four-fold in just five years and current performance points toward the successful achievement of the goal set during First Secretary Gierek's visit last October for trade of \$1 billion in 1976. In our recent meeting in Warsaw, the First Secretary and I noted this mutually beneficial expansion of our bilateral economic ties with great satisfaction.

As our economic relations grow, the role of the Economic Council in encouraging the continued expansion of trade will become increasingly important. The Council has a key part to play in identifying and meeting the challenges and opportunities of the growth in US-Polish economic relations envisioned in the 1974 Joint Statement on the Development of Economic, Industrial and Technical Cooperation. In this process, the Council will promote the mutual interests of both the United States and Poland.

I wish you a most successful and productive session.

AMBASSADOR OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC WASHINGTON

September 15, 1975

My dear Mr. President:

I have the great honor and pleasure to convey to you the letter of Mr. Edward Gierek, the First Secretary of the Polish United Workers' Party Central Committee.

With the assurances of my highest consideration, I remain,

Very sincerely yours

Mulphy
Witold Trampczyński

The President The White House Washington, D.C. First Secretary of the Polish United Workers' Party Central Committee

My dear Mr. President:

In connection with the meeting I was holding with the representatives of American industry and finances, who arrived in Warsaw to attend the first plenary session of the Polish-American Economic Council, I am recalling our conversations and your memorable visit to Poland.

I am pleased that the American party to the session consisted of the eminent representatives of the US economic and business circles and that you, Mr. President, devoted so much attention to this session. It confirms to me your interest and goodwill with regard to the development of relations between our two countries in such an important field as economic cooperation.

I attach significant importance to the activities of the Polish-American Economic Council and I wish to note with satisfaction the great personal contribution to the preparation of this session of the Chairman od the American party, Mr. Brooks McCormick, President of the International Harvester Company.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express my deep conviction that the important aims in the field of Polish-American economic cooperation, that we have jointly formulated, will successfully be implemented according to the agreements and decisions made during our talks.

Please, accept, my best regards and the assurances of my highest consideration to you, my dear Mr. President, and to Mrs. Ford.

Very sincerely yours,

Edward Gierek signature

Warsaw, September 9, 1975

The President, The White House, Washington, D.C.

I SEKRETARZ KOMITETU CENTRALNEGO PZPR

Wielce Szanowny Panie Prezydencie,

W związku ze spotkaniem, jakie odbyłem z przedstawicielami amerykańskiego przemysłu i finansów, którzy przybyli do Warszawy na pierwszą plenarną sesję Polsko-Amerykańskiej Rady Gospodarczej, powracam myślą do naszych rozmów i Pańskiej pamiętnej wizyty w Polsce.

Rad jestem, że na sesji tej strona amerykańska była reprezentowana przez wybitnych przedstawicieli życia gospodarczego Stanów Zjednoczonych i że Pan, Panie Prezydencie, odniósł się do tej sesji z tak dużym zainteresowaniem. Stanowi to dla mnie potwierdzenie uwagi i życzliwości, jakie poświęca Pan rozwojowi stosunków między naszymi krajami w tak ważnej dziedzinie, jaką jest współpraca gospodarcza.

Przywiązuję istotne znaczenie do działalności Polsko-Amerykańskiej Rady Gospodarczej i pragnę z przyjemnością odnotować duży osobisty wkład Przewodniczącego strony amerykańskiej, pana Brooks McCormicka, Prezesa International Harvester Company w przygotowanie tej sesji.

Jego Ekscelencja
Pan Gerald R. Ford
Prezydent Stanów Zjednoczonych Ameryki

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Korzystając z tej okazji, pragnę wyrazić głębokie przekonanie, że ważne cele jakie wspólnie nakreśliliśmy w zakresie polsko-amerykańskiej współpracy gospodarczej będą pomyślnie realizowane w oparciu o porozumienia i ustalenia podjęte w czasie naszych rozmów.

Proszę przyjąć serdeczne pozdrowienia oraz wyrazy szacunku i sympatii dla Pana, Panie Prezydencie i Pańskiej Małżonki.

Z poważaniem

Warszawa, 9.IX.1975 r.

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June 8, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

SUBJECT:

Polish Message of Congratulations

on PNE Treaty

Polish First Secretary Gierek has sent you and General Secretary Brezhnev messages of congratulations on the signing of the PNE Treaty. The text of the Polish First Secretary's message to you is as follows:

"The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

The Polish people welcome with deep satisfaction the signing of the Treaty on the underground nuclear explosions for peaceful purposes concluded between the United States of America and the Soviet Union, regarding it as a new expression of beneficial advance in process of relaxation of tension for all the nations.

On this occasion, please accept, Mr. President, the best congratulations of the Polish people, the Government and the political leadership of our country. We wish to express our deep support to the efforts aiming to eliminate forever the destructive nuclear arms. We are convinced that these efforts will result in the decisive progress in strengthening of the world peace.

Edward Gierek
First Secretary of the Central Committee
of the Polish United Workers' Party"

The text of Gierek's similar message to Brezhnev is at Tab B.

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NSC MEMO, 11/24/98, STATE DEPT. GUIDELINES BY M. NARA, DATE 3/4/04 Considering the real importance the Poles attach to their increased contacts and cooperation with the United States, and their belief that this cooperation depends at least in part on reduced tensions between the U.S. and U.S.S.R., I believe the First Secretary's message can be read as a genuine expression of satisfaction that the United States and Soviet Union are continuing to realize progress on important issues.

The acknowledgement for your approval to First Secretary Gierek at Tab A would thank him for his message. Your response has been coordinated with Douglas Smith in Robert Hartmann's office.

APPROVE____

DISAPPROVE_____

<u>Presidential Message</u> (to First Secretary Gierek)

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Thank you for your kind message welcoming the signing of the Treaty on Underground Nuclear Explosions for Peaceful Purposes between the United States and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

I am heartened by your expression of support and congratulations on behalf of the Polish people and government. Poland's long-standing interest in arms control and reduction of tensions makes your message especially welcome.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford

GIEREK MESSAGE TO BREZHNEV, MAY 31, 1976

The Polish People welcome with great satisfaction the signing of the Treaty between the Soviet Union and the United States on Underground Nuclear Explosions for Peaceful Purposes. This treaty constitutes a new and important contribution to the cause of strengthening the process of relaxation of tensions.

We congratulate you whole heartedly and you personally Comrade General Secretary, on this especially important Treaty which has historic significance for all mankind because it is aimed at stopping arms and the total ban of nuclear weapon tests.

The Polish Peoples Republic supports and will support efforts aiming to this direction according to her possibilities and capabilities.

Edward Gierek

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ACTION
June 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

Mr. Clift

SUBJECT:

Presidential Reply to Gierek

On May 31, Polish First Secretary Gierek sent messages of congratulations to President Ford and General Secretary Brezhnev on the signing of the PNE Treaty.

Through a foul-up at the Polish end, the message to the President did not go out at the time intended. On June 3, the Polish Embassy called to ask if we had received the message, which by then had been published in the Polish press. When told we had not, they brought a copy to my office (Tab II), and at that time also gave me a translation of the message to Brezhnev.

The memorandum for your signature to the President at Tab I would forward Gierek's message together with the text of the message to Brezhnev and a proposed acknowledgement from the President to Gierek.

With the President's approval, we will clear the revised telegram at Tab III for dispatch by State to Embassy Warsaw. The President's response has been coordinated with Doug Smith. Dick Boverie concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That you sign the memorandum for the President at Tab I.
- 2. Following the President's approval, that the package be returned to Jeanne Davis for clearance of the telegram at Tab III.

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June 3, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR

George S. Springsteen Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Message from Poland on US-USSR PNE Agreement

The Ambassador of Poland has delivered to the White House the text of a message to the President from Polish First Secretary Gierek extending his congratulations (copy of text attached) on the US-USSR PNE Agreement.

May we please have the Department of State's recommended acknowledgement from the President to the First Secretary. Please prepare the President's reply in the form of a State telegram to Embassy Warsaw, and forward the telegram to the White House for clearance by 12:00 noon, Friday, June 4.

Jeanne W. Davi

Attachment

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June 3, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR JEANNE W. DAVIS

FROM:

Mr. Clift



If possible would you have the attached LDXed to State for immediate action. .. (arrived here 20 minutes ago)

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June 2, 1976

Dear Mr. General:

I have the honor to ask for your kind intermediary in conveying the following message to the President of the United States ot America:

"The President, The White House, Washington, D.C.

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Sincerely yours,

Witold Trampczyński Ambassador

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1. ON JUNE 3 THE POLISH EMBASSY DELIVERED TO THE WHITE HOUSE THE TEXT OF THE MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT FORD FROM FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS ON THE US-USSR PNE AGREEMENT.

2. FOLLOWING IS THE REPLY FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK:

QUOTE

Dear MR. SECRETARY:

TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE MELCOMING THE SIGNING OF THE TREATY ON USUNDERGROUND NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS.

I AM HEARTENED BY YOUR EXPRESSION OF SUPPORT AND CONGRATULATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE POLISH PEOPLE POLAND'S LONG-STANDING INTEREST IN AND GOVERNMENT. ARMS CONTROL AND REDUCTION OF TENSIONS MAKES YOUR MESSAGE ESPECIALLY WELCOME. SINCEVELY, GERALD R. FORD

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

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The text of Gierek's similar message to Brezhnev is at Tab B.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Brent Scowcroft

SUBJECT:

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Edward Gierek
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EMBASSY OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 2, 1976

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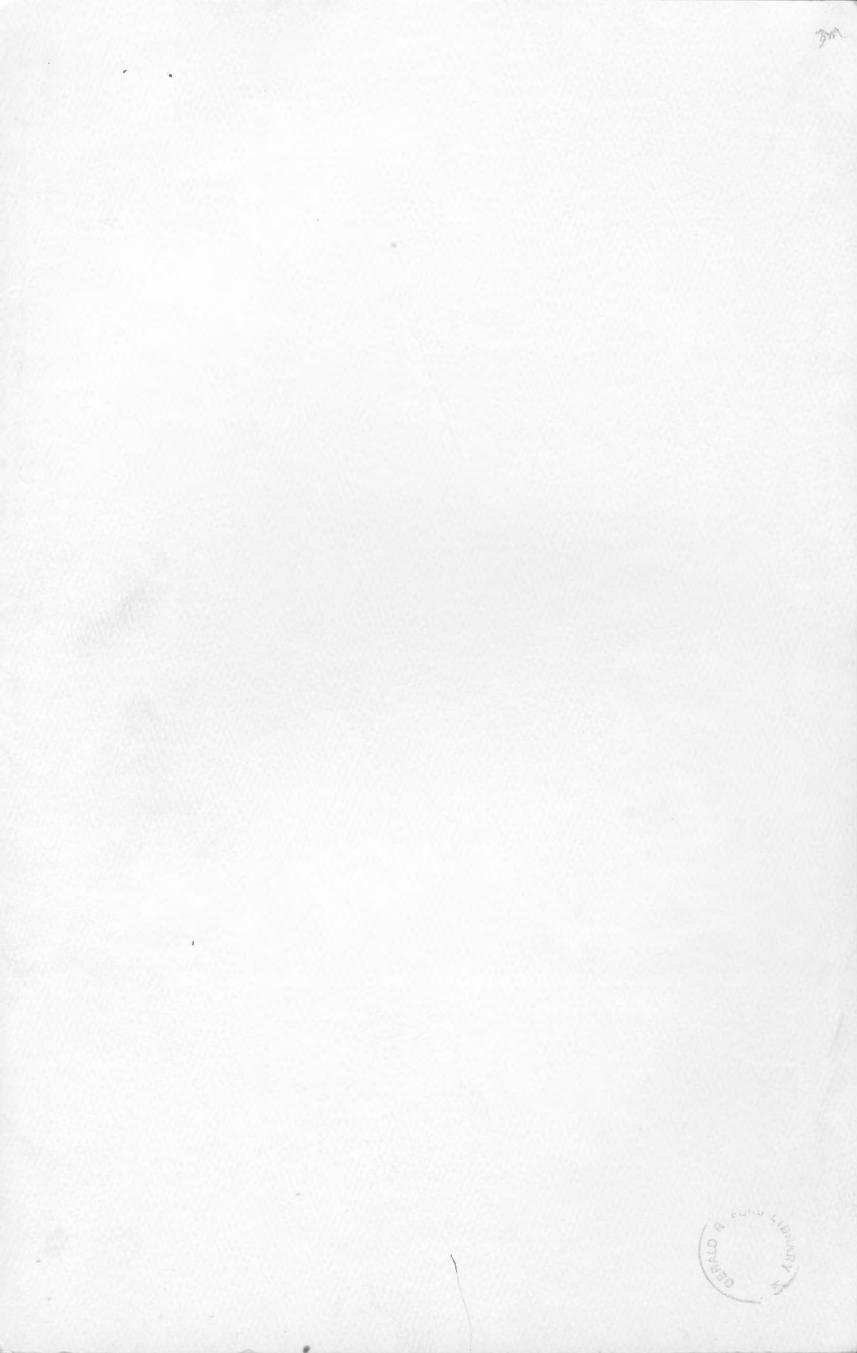
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Sincerely yours,

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Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, USAF Assistant to the President for National Security Aftairs The White House Washington, D.C.



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AMBASSADOR OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC December 6, 1976

Dear Mr. General,

I have the honor to ask for your kind intermediary in conveying the enclosed letter from H.E. Henryk Jabłoński, Chairman of the Council of State of the Polish People's Republic to H.E. Gerald R.Ford, the President of the United States of America.

Please accept, dear Mr. General, the assurances of my highest consideration.

WASHINGTON

Sincerely yours,

Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, USAF Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

On behalf of the highest State Authorities of the Polish People's Republic, my own and on behalf of the Polish nation I wish to thank you wholeheartedly for the gift received in connection with the celebrations of the 200th Anniversary of the Independence of the United States of America. It will occupy important place in the historic collection of the Council of State of the Polish People's Republic.

I wish to state with great satisfaction that the celebrations of the 200th Anniversary of the United States of America, on the occasion of which many events were held also in Poland, constituted positive and important factor in the successful development of relations between our two countries.

I have the honor to convey to you, Mr. President, your family and the American people, the best wishes of further prosperity.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Henryk Jabłoński Chairman of the Council of State of the Polish People's Republic

His Excellency Gerald R. Ford The President of the United States of America The White House Washington, D. C.