On April 12, Bunker met with U Thant in New York and urged that the United Nations proceed with speed in setting up the U.N. machinery to verify the disengagement. U Thant agreed to move quickly once he had obtained concurrence from Yemeni President Sallal to the agreement. (Telegrams 3749 and 3759 from USUN, April 12; ibid.) On April 29, U Thant reported to the Security Council that Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Republic, and Yemen had confirmed their acceptance of the disengagement agreement and that financing for the U.N. mission would come from a special U.N. emergency fund. (U.N. Document S/5298)

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## THE IRANIAN SITUATION

## The Problem

To assess the situation in Iran and probable internal developments during the next few years.

## Conclusions

A. Within the past year, the Shah has reasserted the strong personal leadership from which he had withdrawn during the Premiership of Amini. He has shifted emphasis in the economic field from long-term, centralized planned development to a policy which places chief emphasis on a radical land reform program designed to build up mass political support. His reforms seem to be bringing him new popularity among the peasantry and parts of the urban proletariat, but have alienated the tradi-

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