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Polish miners again at work Britain slashed for jailing Iran student demonstrators

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WARSAW, Poland — Tens of thousands of coal miners returned to their pits in Silesia Thursday and the government announced price controls on everything from bread to television repairs in an effort to halt the spread of worker unrest.

There was no word on walkouts existing in several other Silesian coal mines and factories around Katowice and Czesochowa despite the settlement ending strikes by more than 100,000 Silesian miners Wednesday.

At the Manifest Lipcowy mine in Zdroj, headquarters of the strikes, 1,800 miners filed back to

their jobs at 6 a.m. for the first time since last Friday, when they struck in sympathy with the shipyard workers of Gdansk.

Poland's official PAP news agency said the Manifest Lipcowy workers were expected to dig 11,000 tons of hard coal Thursday from the veins deep underground near the Czech border.

In Warsaw, the government published the first details of a proposed new set of price regulations designed to control the cost of living and ease workers' complaints about inflation.

The new regulations, which must be approved by Poland's Sejm (Parliament), would require government

permission for any increase in the price of 47 basic food items, including bread, meat, fish and vegetables and 56 industrial articles.

The proposed list of controlled prices would include public transport fares, postage, rents and fees for services such as television repairs.

The Sejm will meet Friday, PAP said Premier Jozef Pankowski will offer a program "for a fundamental remodeling of the government's work, with an eye to lead Poland out of the present difficult situation, remove the sources of social discontent (and) bring the economy and public life back to normal."

In another measure aimed at controlling Poland's economic difficulties and consequent worker unrest, the government has been assembling a package of financial aid from the socialist countries of Eastern Europe, especially the Soviet Union.

"The U.S.S.R. is, and will be Poland's No. 1 partner in foreign trade and international economic relations," First Deputy Premier Mieczyslaw Jagielski said Wednesday night in a statement issued through PAP. "These are obvious truths. Nobody, with the exception of a handful of opponents of socialism, undermines or questions them."

Jagielski, who disclosed the Russian contribution in the PAP statement, said the new hard currency loan would be used to supply Poland's chemical and metallurgical industries.

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The speaker of the Iranian Parliament denounced Britain Thursday for jailing Iranian demonstrators, accusing it of "spinelessness."

Parliament speaker Ayatollah Hashemi Rafsanjani read to the Consultative Assembly a letter from Iranian students jailed in London and said Britain's attitude showed it had become an American satellite.

A British Home office spokesman says 46 Iranians still are held in custody following their arrest during student demonstrations last month. One has been remanded awaiting trial, another is serving a short sentence and will be released. The other

44 have been convicted by the courts and are awaiting deportation.

Tehran Radio reported firing squads executed nine people, including six convicted of setting a fire that killed more than 400 people in a movie theater in Abadan in 1978.

10,000 Cuban troops added

Afghans get reinforcements

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — A full Afghan army division has been flown to Afghanistan to reinforce Soviet troops and the Afghan regular army, officials said Thursday.

Spokesman for the Islamic Front guerrilla group said Bulgarian, Czech and Romanian troops also have been sent to the embattled nation.

The guerrilla statement followed reports earlier from New Delhi that the Soviet commandos have been sent to Afghanistan to establish bases and tactics before the onset of winter.

troops trained in guerrilla warfare to Kabul and on its return flight carried home soldiers previously stationed in Afghanistan.

One Afghan source said the new commandos would replace Soviet soldiers who were trained in conventional warfare tactics that were mostly ineffective against the Moslem guerrillas' hit-and-run style in Afghanistan's rough terrain.

The Soviet troops have been commanded by officers trained in World War II, a military source said.

The Afghan source, who returned from fighting in eastern Afghanistan recently, said he heard the Soviets also withdrew a "large number, perhaps the remainder" of soldiers native to the Central Asian Soviet republics.

Frequent reports from Afghanistan have said Asian Soviet soldiers were often sympathetic toward the Afghan Moslem rebels. Those reports and others of Soviet Asian soldiers defecting have been unconfirmed.

Diplomats in the Indian capital of New Delhi last month appeared to be part of a rotation process which brought in troops trained in guerrilla warfare.

In an interview, insurgent spokesman Mangal Pannu said the Cuban division which he said comprised about 10,000 men. He said several Cuban military advisers were brought in to give advice to Afghan troops in the field.

The English-language Islamabad Daily, the Muslim, reported Thursday on the arrival of Cuban advisers to provide "militia training" to Afghan troops.

The Soviet forces have been exhausted and Moscow has asked for help from the German Democratic Republic (East Germany) and Cuba, the paper said, quoting an Afghan guerrilla source from the Islamic Alliance for the Liberation of Afghanistan.

In New Delhi, Afghan sources said Aug. 29-31 airlift brought Soviet

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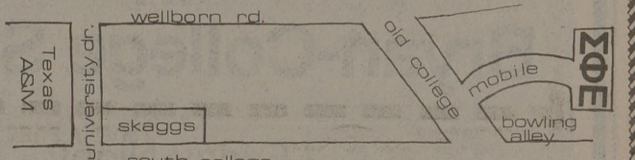
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