

That is not the Reagan policy and that is not how it is being administered. The one thing I would like to offer to this body, for those of you who have not had an opportunity to read the paper today, I would like to refer you to the World Herald, and on page 10 of the World Herald there is an article that begins, "Reagan's response to Polish crisis praised." The article is a Lewis-Harris poll and it goes on to say that most of the American people have praised and feel very positively towards the Reagan policy. Now I want to read some of the questions asked for this body's edification. By an 83 to 12 percent majority Americans agree that the President was right not to encourage the Polish people to fight the Polish army because it would encourage needless killings of civilians. By a 69 to 24 percent a majority is convinced that Reagan did the right thing by making the Russians pay a price for ordering the military crack-down in Poland. By and large Americans also tend to side with the President rather than with some of our western European allies on his approach to the Polish crisis. By a 68 to 24 percent majority they agree that unlike the West Germans who are showing interest in money that we, in fact, had shown that the Reagan Administration's approach showed interest in the freedom of the Polish people. The central criticism of the allies is somewhat moderated, however, by the fact that a 62 to 33 percent majority nationwide agreed with the claim that it is unfair to expect our western European allies to cut back on trade with the Russians....

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR NEWELL:as long as we are still selling grain. Lastly and not insignificantly by 79 to 16 percent majority the American people favor the U.S. government again sending food and other aid to Poland if the Polish government ends military rule. While most Americans traditionally have not supported playing politics with our food, as this body clearly feels, in the case it is evident that a majority believes that this country ought to use food exports as a carrot to persuade the Communist party leaders in Poland to ease the repressive military rule. I oppose the Schmit amendment, urge the resolution as it is. We have not embargoed food. We are still giving food for distribution to the Polish people. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Labedz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't want