

# News Summary and Index

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## The Major Events of the Day

### International

Facing overwhelming opposition in Congress, the Ford Administration yesterday suspended plans to sell 14 batteries of Hawk antiaircraft missiles to Jordan. Congress has opposed the sale on the ground that the 14 batteries—with six missile launchers to a battery—gave Jordan an offensive capacity against Israel and was more than she needed for her air defense. [Page 1, Column 1.]

High Turkish officials said that some United States bases in Turkey would stay closed permanently even if Congress ultimately lifted the Turkish arms embargo. The officials believe that it would be politically impossible for any Turkish government to restore the relationship that existed with the United States before last Friday, when Turkey announced she was taking control of the American bases. "It was easy to close the bases, but it would be very difficult to make them operational again, that's why we waited six months before we acted," one of the Turkish officials said. "No government would dare move against the pressure of public opinion." [1:2-3.]

Huge crowds welcomed President Ford as he arrived in Warsaw for a visit before the opening of the European security conference in Helsinki tomorrow. Mr. Ford, speaking a few words of Polish, greeted the crowd at Okecie Airport with "Niech zyje Polska"—"Long live Poland!" Edward Gierek, the Communist party leader, lavished praise on Mr. Ford, calling him a partner in the search for world harmony. He and Mr. Ford issued a joint statement reaffirming their commitment to pursue military—not only political—detente in Europe. [1:2-3.]

### National

The Commerce Department reported that in June the nation had its biggest foreign trade surplus on record, as imports continued to reflect the deep recession in the United States economy. The slowdown in imports has affected oil as well as most other products. Oil imports in June were the lowest for any month since early 1974 after prices were increased sharply by the exporting countries. [1:6-7.]

By a vote of 346 to 56, the House passed and sent to President Ford a bill extending the Voting Rights Act of 1965 for seven years and broadening its protection to Span-

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A legal opinion drawn up by the office of State Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz has found that the city, through its home-rule and police powers, "has ample authority" to impose a wage freeze. The opinion, drafted but not made public, declares that the authority for a wage freeze lies with the City Council, which can "constitutionally enact, as an emergency measure, a local law imposing a wage freeze." It was believed, that the opinion, said to be unsolicited would strengthen the Mayor's hand in dealing with labor unions. [1:8.]

The city has the right to discharge any sanitationmen it deems necessary to help it cope with its financial crisis, Acting State Court Justice William Merrens ruled in dismissing a breach-of-contract suit brought by the Uniformed Sanitationmen's Association and its president, John J. DeLury, who will appeal the decision. [1:5.]

The city's major banks, which have been deeply involved in events leading to the city's worsening financial crisis and in subsequent rescue attempts, are in the center of controversy over both their activities and their motives. Mayor Beame and labor leaders are among their severest critics. [1:6-7.]

Unemployment in the city rose by nearly 1 per cent in June to 11.7 per cent, the highest level since the recession began in 1973 and the highest level in the quarter-century that records have been kept on a comparable basis, according to the city's Industrial Commissioner, Louis L. Levine. The increase confirmed that New York was one of the cities hardest hit by the recession. [1:8.]

New Jersey's Commuter Operating Agency declared a formal end to the state's mass transit crisis, but forecast "across the board" bus and rail fare increases and service cutbacks during the year ahead. The agency adopted a resolution awarding more than \$4.4-million in operating subsidies to four rail lines and 28 bus companies whose prior state contracts had expired at midnight July 20. [3:6.]

## Quotation of the Day

"There'll be no wage freeze affecting transit workers. They're underpaid now."—Matthew Guinan, president of the Transport Workers Union. [1:8.]

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## CORRECTIONS

An article in The New York Times on Saturday on the election of a new chairman of the board of governors of the City Center of Music and Drama contained several errors. A corrective article will be found on Page 19.

A dispatch from New Delhi in The Times on Saturday indicated that Daniel Southern, Lord of The Christian Science Monitor had been allowed to remain in India after signing a pledge to comply with self-censorship rules. What Mr. Southernland signed was India's new statement agreeing "to undertake full responsibility" for his reports.